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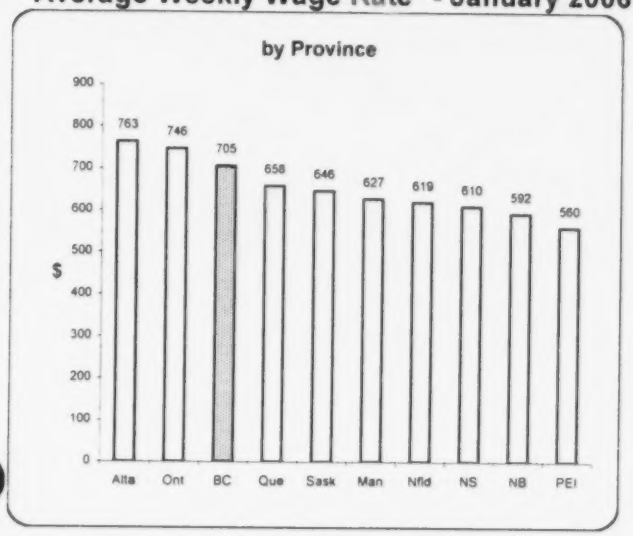
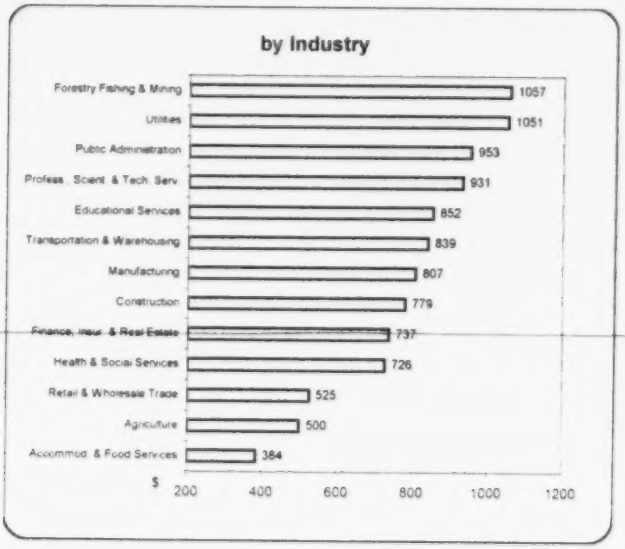
Earnings & Employment Trends ♦ January 2006

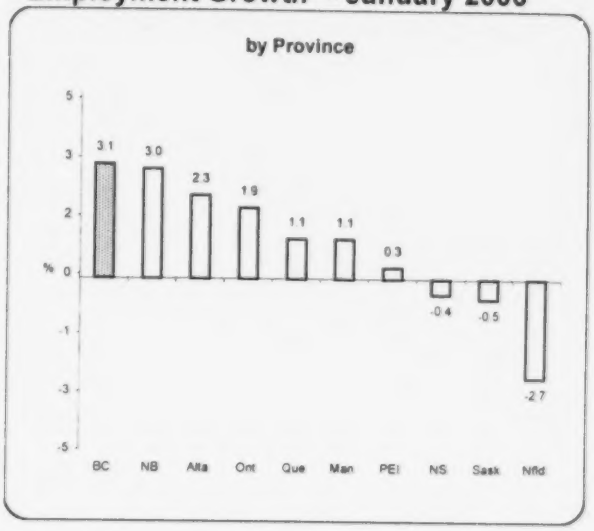
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - January 2006

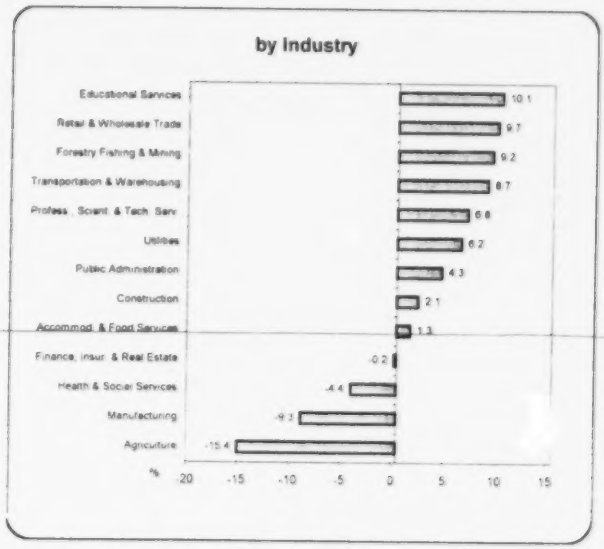




** Latest 12 month average*

Employment Growth* - January 2006





** Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)*

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SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
				Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
	% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.7	0.9	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.4	2.1	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6	1.4	1.4	3.9	1.1	0.5	2.3	-0.1	2.5	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2	1.2	2.7	3.2	0.1	0.9	1.0	1.9	2.6	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.7	3.2	3.9	-0.2	0.4	0.5	1.9	2.5	2.5	7.1	6.8	4.0
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	2.7	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.5	1.2	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.7
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.1	2.2	2.6	0.7	0.0	1.0	2.3	2.4	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	1.9	2.2	0.2	-0.8	0.0	2.5	2.4	0.9	8.0	7.6	6.0
2004	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.6	2.2	-1.5	0.7	-0.5	2.4	1.8	1.1	7.2	7.2	5.5
2005	2.0	2.2	3.4	2.6	3.5	2.9	0.5	1.3	-0.5	3.3	1.4	1.6	5.9	6.8	5.1
2005 Jan	2.3	2.0	3.0	4.4	3.0	3.8	2.0	1.0	0.8	2.4	1.3	1.3	6.5	7.0	5.2
Feb	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.8	2.5	1.4	0.7	0.4	-1.6	3.7	1.5	1.3	7.0	7.0	5.4
Mar	2.1	2.3	3.1	2.9	2.6	2.4	0.8	0.2	-0.7	3.3	1.4	1.3	6.5	6.9	5.1
Apr	2.0	2.4	3.5	3.5	3.0	3.0	1.5	0.6	-0.5	3.9	1.2	1.4	6.1	6.8	5.1
May	1.5	1.6	2.8	3.7	2.7	2.3	2.2	1.1	-0.5	3.7	1.2	1.7	5.9	6.9	5.1
Jun	1.5	1.7	2.5	3.4	3.5	2.9	1.9	1.8	0.4	2.1	1.1	1.7	5.8	6.8	5.0
Jul	1.9	2.0	3.2	2.6	3.8	2.7	0.7	1.7	-0.4	2.6	1.3	1.5	6.1	6.8	5.0
Aug	2.1	2.6	3.6	2.2	4.2	1.7	0.1	1.6	-1.9	3.6	1.6	1.8	5.7	6.8	4.9
Sep	2.4	3.4	4.7	1.6	4.2	3.6	-0.8	0.8	-1.0	2.8	1.3	2.1	5.6	6.7	5.1
Oct	2.3	2.6	4.3	0.3	4.0	4.6	-1.9	1.3	0.2	3.3	1.6	1.9	5.1	6.6	4.9
Nov	2.0	2.0	3.5	2.5	3.9	3.5	0.4	1.9	0.1	4.4	1.7	1.7	4.9	6.4	5.0
Dec	1.8	2.2	3.4	1.4	4.0	2.8	-0.4	1.8	-0.6	3.5	1.6	1.8	5.1	6.5	4.9
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		BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
		% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
	1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.7	0.9	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
	1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.4	2.1	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
	1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9			2.3	-0.1	2.5	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
	1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2			1.0	1.9	2.6	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
	2000	1.9	2.7	3.4			3.9			0.5	1.9	2.5	2.5	7.1	6.8	4.0
	2001	1.7	2.6	2.8			2.7			-0.2	-0.5	1.2	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.7
	2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.1	2.2	2.6	0.7	0.0	1.0	2.3	2.4	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
	2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	1.9	2.2	0.2	-0.8	0.0	2.5	2.4	0.9	8.0	7.6	6.0
	2004	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.6	2.2	-1.5	0.7	-0.5	2.4	1.8	1.1	7.2	7.2	5.5
	2005	2.0	2.2	3.4	2.6	3.5	2.9	0.5	1.3	-0.5	3.3	1.4	1.6	5.9	6.8	5.1
2005	Jan	2.3	2.0	3.0	4.4	3.0	3.8	2.0	1.0	0.8	2.4	1.3	1.3	6.5	7.0	5.2
	Feb	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.8	2.5	1.4	0.7	0.4	-1.6	3.7	1.5	1.3	7.0	7.0	5.4
	Mar	2.1	2.3	3.1	2.9	2.6	2.4	0.8	0.2	-0.7	3.3	1.4	1.3	6.5	6.9	5.1
	Apr	2.0	2.4	3.5	3.5	3.0	3.0	1.5	0.6	-0.5	3.9	1.2	1.4	6.1	6.8	5.1
	May	1.5	1.6	2.8	3.7	2.7	2.3	2.2	1.1	-0.5	3.7	1.2	1.7	5.9	6.9	5.1
	Jun	1.5	1.7	2.5	3.4	3.5	2.9	1.9	1.8	0.4	2.1	1.1	1.7	5.8	6.8	5.0
	Jul	1.9	2.0	3.2	2.6	3.8	2.7	0.7	1.7	-0.4	2.6	1.3	1.5	6.1	6.8	5.0
	Aug	2.1	2.6	3.6	2.2	4.2	1.7	0.1	1.6	-1.9	3.6	1.6	1.8	5.7	6.8	4.9
	Sep	2.4	3.4	4.7	1.6	4.2	3.6	-0.8	0.8	-1.0	2.8	1.3	2.1	5.6	6.7	5.1
	Oct	2.3	2.6	4.3	0.3	4.0	4.6	-1.9	1.3	0.2	3.3	1.6	1.9	5.1	6.6	4.9
	Nov	2.0	2.0	3.5	2.5	3.9	3.5	0.4	1.9	0.1	4.4	1.7	1.7	4.9	6.4	5.0
	Dec	1.8	2.2	3.4	1.4	4.0	2.8	-0.4	1.8	-0.6	3.5	1.6	1.8	5.1	6.5	4.9
2006	Jan				1.7	3.5	3.9									
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2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996																						
1997	573.25		612.63		562.34		503.70		508.80		605.28		548.86		488.70		479.75		440.72		495.30	
1998	581.38	1.4	621.21	1.4	574.30	2.1	510.88	1.4	517.48	1.7	612.18	1.1	557.54	1.6	497.82	1.9	494.58	3.1	447.28	1.5	492.94	-0.5
1999	597.08	2.7	628.82	1.2	594.57	3.5	526.79	3.1	532.50	2.9	634.16	3.6	566.69	1.6	506.47	1.7	504.77	2.1	463.69	3.7	496.99	0.8
2000	616.02	3.2	639.37	1.7	617.23	3.8	545.87	3.6	551.82	3.6	656.96	3.6	579.75	2.3	533.68	5.4	523.89	3.8	473.88	2.2	525.69	5.8
2001	635.75	3.2	648.19	1.4	653.69	5.9	571.73	4.7	562.32	1.9	678.51	3.3	596.38	2.9	537.56	0.7	543.33	3.7	496.19	4.7	549.60	4.5
2002	649.94	2.2	668.04	3.1	684.20	4.7	585.61	2.4	574.53	2.2	689.97	1.7	606.22	1.6	546.18	1.6	558.11	2.7	508.69	2.5	567.69	3.3
2003	662.44	1.9	683.68	2.3	688.04	0.6	604.82	3.3	588.61	2.5	701.35	1.6	619.30	2.2	561.46	2.8	574.14	2.9	538.53	5.9	588.26	3.6
2004	679.83	2.6	686.74	0.4	703.63	2.3	627.34	3.7	612.04	4.0	721.00	2.8	641.46	3.6	574.18	2.3	588.07	2.4	562.57	4.5	587.82	-0.1
2005	703.35	3.5	704.49	2.6	757.32	7.6	643.13	2.5	625.21	2.2	744.94	3.3	656.66	2.4	591.28	3.0	607.46	3.3	560.82	-0.3	615.82	4.8
2005 Jan	694.21	3.0	708.11	4.4	733.59	5.7	628.21	-0.5	604.42	0.6	735.95	2.2	649.70	3.6	585.92	2.1	588.47	1.4	584.13	4.6	595.40	2.2
Feb	692.65	2.5	704.75	2.8	737.76	7.3	640.84	-0.5	611.65	0.6	732.70	1.0	646.80	3.6	577.21	1.5	585.86	0.8	583.56	3.4	595.80	2.7
Mar	695.40	2.6	697.93	2.9	735.86	6.4	634.16	0.0	620.34	1.2	736.43	1.1	653.42	3.8	580.51	1.7	600.81	2.5	578.40	2.9	610.06	3.9
Apr	699.73	3.0	700.18	3.5	748.15	8.4	624.56	-0.4	623.21	0.6	743.31	2.0	653.09	3.0	574.80	0.3	611.46	3.6	571.19	1.4	602.29	-0.7
May	696.38	2.7	699.26	3.7	745.07	6.7	634.80	2.1	619.32	0.7	735.15	1.4	654.68	2.7	582.38	3.4	608.62	2.6	557.49	-0.7	611.91	4.0
Jun	701.29	3.5	701.03	3.4	749.67	8.0	644.72	2.9	631.95	2.2	741.62	2.8	656.55	2.4	593.30	6.0	618.86	4.5	546.87	-3.1	626.38	6.9
Jul	701.93	3.8	698.58	2.6	757.60	7.6	645.54	2.8	625.11	0.7	746.97	4.8	652.77	1.0	585.71	2.9	610.08	3.5	537.14	-1.8	611.98	7.7
Aug	708.11	4.2	703.02	2.2	762.10	7.0	648.59	3.9	632.63	2.4	752.96	5.6	660.50	1.7	594.71	4.1	608.81	2.9	545.95	-1.7	630.55	8.3
Sep	713.27	4.2	709.61	1.6	775.50	9.0	656.00	5.3	640.21	5.0	757.25	4.9	660.73	1.5	609.50	5.5	615.76	3.8	549.42	-2.1	631.30	6.6
Oct	711.08	4.0	706.73	0.3	775.06	7.9	647.84	3.7	627.05	2.2	752.31	5.3	664.85	2.1	600.48	1.7	615.37	4.7	559.37	-2.2	623.34	3.8
Nov	712.84	3.9	717.99	2.5	779.80	8.4	652.90	4.6	632.78	4.8	751.83	4.3	663.45	1.6	602.58	2.6	608.15	3.8	566.33	-1.5	623.68	4.8
Dec	712.28	4.0	706.56	1.4	785.26	8.9	659.25	6.5	633.08	4.9	751.89	4.4	662.56	1.7	605.21	3.7	614.85	5.1	561.78	-1.0	621.55	5.8
2006 Jan	718.57	3.5	720.31	1.7	801.44	9.2	663.21	5.6	631.52	4.5	754.31	2.5	667.81	2.8	601.69	2.7	619.62	5.3	564.16	-3.4	639.77	7.5
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Jan-Jan05	694.21		708.11		733.59		628.21		604.42		735.95		649.70		585.92		588.47		584.13		595.40	
Jan-Jan06	718.57		720.31		801.44		663.21		631.52		754.31		667.81		601.69		619.62		564.16		639.77	
% Change	3.5		1.7		9.2		5.6		4.5		2.5		2.8		2.7		5.3		-3.4		7.5	

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	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996																						
1997	15.59		16.91		14.79		13.55		13.81		16.33		15.32		12.90		12.87		11.79		13.16	
1998	15.78	1.2	17.17	1.5	15.15	2.4	13.76	1.5	14.04	1.7	16.48	0.9	15.49	1.1	13.12	1.7	13.20	2.6	11.94	1.3	13.05	-0.8
1999	16.17	2.5	17.34	1.0	15.76	4.0	14.21	3.3	14.48	3.1	17.00	3.2	15.72	1.5	13.34	1.7	13.45	1.9	12.28	2.8	13.06	0.1
2000	16.66	3.0	17.64	1.7	16.29	3.4	14.73	3.7	14.98	3.5	17.59	3.5	16.07	2.2	14.01	5.0	14.01	4.2	12.63	2.9	13.74	5.2
2001	17.22	3.4	17.98	1.9	17.13	5.2	15.35	4.2	15.34	2.4	18.17	3.3	16.63	3.5	14.20	1.4	14.53	3.7	13.22	4.7	14.32	4.2
2002	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.99	5.0	15.83	3.1	15.72	2.5	18.54	2.0	16.97	2.0	14.45	1.8	14.81	1.9	13.61	3.0	14.88	3.9
2003	18.04	2.2	19.02	2.3	18.13	0.8	16.42	3.7	16.06	2.2	18.88	1.8	17.42	2.7	14.80	2.4	15.42	4.1	14.52	6.7	15.46	3.9
2004	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.54	2.3	16.94	3.2	16.74	4.2	19.43	2.9	17.99	3.3	15.21	2.8	15.79	2.4	15.09	3.9	15.44	-0.1
2005	19.09	3.2	19.36	1.9	19.76	6.6	17.28	2.0	17.17	2.6	20.06	3.2	18.43	2.4	15.63	2.8	16.24	2.8	15.15	0.4	16.09	4.2
2005 Jan	19.02	2.8	19.61	3.0	19.44	5.8	17.06	-0.6	16.60	-0.6	19.97	2.5	18.40	3.3	15.57	1.2	15.99	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.04	2.0
Feb	18.98	2.4	19.52	1.9	19.43	7.2	17.27	-0.4	17.02	1.4	19.83	1.1	18.43	3.7	15.57	1.7	15.93	0.2	16.03	3.4	16.13	3.7
Mar	19.04	2.8	19.24	2.4	19.41	6.2	17.14	-0.4	17.30	2.4	19.99	1.9	18.53	3.7	15.58	2.0	16.19	1.8	15.97	2.7	16.28	2.3
Apr	19.10	3.0	19.32	2.8	19.72	7.8	16.93	-0.5	17.19	1.2	20.11	2.3	18.41	2.9	15.45	0.7	16.34	1.8	15.80	1.8	16.11	0.8
May	18.89	2.4	19.27	3.0	19.53	5.9	17.02	1.6	17.05	1.3	19.78	1.4	18.27	2.1	15.40	2.9	16.12	1.9	15.08	2.4	16.03	3.1
Jun	18.90	2.8	19.19	2.9	19.52	5.8	17.24	2.7	17.17	1.8	19.88	2.6	18.18	1.6	15.53	5.0	16.33	3.8	14.58	-1.2	15.87	3.7
Jul	18.77	3.2	18.87	1.6	19.45	6.5	17.13	2.5	16.96	2.0	19.81	3.7	18.08	1.7	15.26	2.1	16.02	3.4	14.27	-0.6	15.40	5.0
Aug	18.89	3.7	19.13	2.2	19.57	6.0	17.12	3.0	17.10	3.3	19.92	4.6	18.15	1.6	15.42	3.6	16.05	3.7	14.30	-1.4	15.89	7.4
Sep	19.30	3.8	19.52	1.6	20.08	7.0	17.54	3.6	17.40	4.2	20.34	4.6	18.47	1.6	15.91	4.7	16.46	3.7	14.61	-1.7	16.44	7.6
Oct	19.33	3.9	19.48	0.6	20.17	6.4	17.57	3.5	17.28	3.0	20.29	4.9	18.70	2.6	15.80	1.9	16.50	4.6	14.91	-1.5	16.23	4.3
Nov	19.45	3.9	19.69	1.3	20.32	6.7	17.60	4.0	17.39	4.5	20.37	4.6	18.82	2.6	15.95	2.8	16.46	4.0	15.36	-1.3	16.51	5.5
Dec	19.45	3.8	19.54	0.6	20.42	7.4	17.77	5.3	17.59	6.0	20.38	4.4	18.76	2.1	16.15	4.4	16.45	4.4	15.48	-0.5	16.38	4.8
2006 Jan	19.66	3.4	19.86	1.3	20.87	7.4	18.09	6.0	17.49	5.4	20.55	2.9	18.88	2.6	16.18	3.9	16.71	4.5	15.47	-2.8	16.96	5.7
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Jan-Jan05	19.02		19.61		19.44		17.06		16.60		19.97		18.40		15.57		15.99		15.92		16.04	
Jan-Jan06	19.66		19.86		20.87		18.09		17.49		20.55		18.88		16.18		16.71		15.47		16.96	
% Change	3.4		1.3		7.4		6.0		5.4		2.9		2.6		3.9		4.5		-2.8		5.7	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1996	13,421.4		1,816.4		1,405.1		456.8		517.4		5,167.1		3,129.8		305.5		376.9		58.9		187.5	
1997	13,706.0	2.1	1,860.5	2.4	1,451.4	3.3	466.2	2.1	525.6	1.6	5,291.4	2.4	3,172.8	1.4	309.1	1.2	382.0	1.4	58.8	-0.2	188.3	0.4
1998	14,046.2	2.5	1,858.4	-0.1	1,509.9	4.0	470.5	0.9	534.2	1.6	5,453.3	3.1	3,257.5	2.7	315.2	2.0	395.3	3.5	59.6	1.4	192.4	2.2
1999	14,406.7	2.6	1,894.4	1.9	1,544.0	2.3	471.6	0.2	541.4	1.3	5,636.7	3.4	3,328.1	2.2	325.5	3.3	404.0	2.2	60.2	1.0	201.0	4.5
2000	14,764.2	2.5	1,931.3	1.9	1,584.0	2.6	473.5	0.4	552.3	2.0	5,817.1	3.2	3,402.8	2.2	331.2	1.8	411.4	1.8	62.7	4.2	198.0	-1.5
2001	14,946.2	1.2	1,921.6	-0.5	1,630.9	3.0	460.3	-2.8	554.3	0.4	5,926.2	1.9	3,440.2	1.1	330.1	-0.3	415.2	0.9	63.6	1.4	203.8	2.9
2002	15,310.4	2.4	1,965.0	2.3	1,670.8	2.4	468.3	1.7	567.2	2.3	6,031.4	1.8	3,569.9	3.8	343.1	3.9	422.9	1.9	64.7	1.7	207.2	1.7
2003	15,672.3	2.4	2,014.7	2.5	1,716.7	2.7	476.1	1.7	570.3	0.5	6,213.2	3.0	3,628.8	1.6	343.1	0.0	431.2	2.0	66.1	2.2	212.3	2.5
2004	15,947.0	1.8	2,062.7	2.4	1,757.5	2.4	479.7	0.8	576.6	1.1	6,316.5	1.7	3,680.5	1.4	350.1	2.0	442.2	2.6	66.9	1.2	214.3	0.9
2005	16,169.7	1.4	2,130.5	3.3	1,784.4	1.5	483.5	0.8	580.3	0.6	6,397.7	1.3	3,717.3	1.0	350.5	0.1	443.1	0.2	68.2	1.9	214.1	-0.1
2005 Jan	15,678.1	1.3	2,058.0	2.5	1,740.5	1.8	473.4	2.2	567.9	0.9	6,217.0	0.5	3,599.5	1.9	332.9	1.0	426.8	2.2	62.8	4.0	199.3	0.6
Feb	15,769.2	1.5	2,069.8	3.7	1,748.6	1.6	476.3	2.5	573.6	1.7	6,259.3	0.7	3,622.4	1.5	333.6	0.9	425.3	1.3	63.3	4.3	197.2	-0.6
Mar	15,779.8	1.4	2,080.6	3.2	1,755.7	1.6	479.6	3.1	569.6	0.4	6,247.3	1.0	3,620.5	0.9	333.6	0.3	427.6	0.7	63.7	4.3	201.5	0.6
Apr	15,886.3	1.2	2,092.4	3.9	1,754.0	1.0	476.3	0.8	570.6	-0.1	6,312.6	1.2	3,645.9	0.1	336.6	1.6	434.3	1.0	63.5	3.9	200.1	-0.3
May	16,277.0	1.4	2,138.3	3.9	1,800.7	1.9	495.0	1.7	587.0	0.5	6,458.2	1.7	3,698.3	-0.6	359.9	2.1	454.3	1.3	70.6	2.5	214.6	-1.6
Jun	16,489.5	1.0	2,159.2	2.1	1,813.8	1.2	498.0	1.1	589.4	0.4	6,505.1	1.2	3,796.3	0.7	364.0	-0.8	457.7	-0.6	73.3	1.9	232.6	0.0
Jul	16,529.0	1.2	2,161.4	2.6	1,814.9	2.0	497.3	1.7	589.0	1.6	6,486.1	0.9	3,837.8	1.2	368.3	-0.4	458.3	-1.2	73.9	1.7	242.0	-1.1
Aug	16,508.5	1.5	2,166.7	3.5	1,811.9	1.3	492.3	0.6	587.0	0.7	6,507.5	1.4	3,814.1	1.6	367.7	-1.0	460.9	0.5	73.9	1.0	226.3	-1.9
Sep	16,264.6	1.3	2,142.7	2.7	1,786.4	0.7	480.2	-0.5	581.8	0.3	6,419.5	1.7	3,761.0	0.9	357.0	-1.6	443.4	-1.4	70.9	0.7	221.6	1.0
Oct	16,331.4	1.6	2,160.9	3.3	1,791.5	1.8	479.9	-1.2	582.9	0.1	6,473.4	1.8	3,759.0	1.1	351.2	-1.4	447.1	-0.1	69.7	0.3	215.9	1.0
Nov	16,295.1	1.7	2,168.0	4.5	1,796.6	1.7	479.1	-1.0	583.4	0.6	6,459.9	1.8	3,734.3	1.1	351.7	0.3	441.0	-0.6	67.2	-0.3	214.0	3.2
Dec	16,228.1	1.6	2,168.6	3.6	1,798.6	1.9	474.5	-1.3	581.9	0.5	6,427.1	1.4	3,718.2	1.7	349.9	0.9	439.8	-0.5	65.9	0.0	203.5	-2.1
2006 Jan	15,949.1	1.7	2,122.5	3.1	1,780.2	2.3	470.8	-0.5	574.1	1.1	6,337.6	1.9	3,639.1	1.1	342.9	3.0	425.0	-0.4	63.0	0.3	193.9	-2.7
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Jan-Jan05	15,678.1		2,058.0		1,740.5		473.4		567.9		6,217.0		3,599.5		332.9		426.8		62.8		199.3	
Jan-Jan06	15,949.1		2,122 5		1,780.2		470.8		574.1		6,337.6		3,639.1		342.9		425.0		63.0		193.9	
% Change	1.7		3.1		2.3		-0.5		1.1		1.9		1.1		3.0		-0.4		0.3		-2.7	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1996	34.2		33.2		35.8		35.9		34.3		34.4		33.4		35.0		34.0		35.4		33.8	
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.8	0.0	35.7	-0.6	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.6	35.2	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.1	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.2	2.2	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.7	0.3	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.4	1.1	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.0	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.4	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.1	-0.8	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.7	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.3	0.0	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.0	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	33.0	-2.7	33.4	0.3
2005	33.5	0.6	32.6	0.9	35.5	1.7	34.4	1.8	33.4	0.3	33.8	0.3	32.5	0.6	34.2	1.2	33.1	3.1	33.8	2.4	34.1	2.1
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.8	1.2	35.3	-1.7	32.8	-3.2	33.6	-0.3	34.1	-0.9	32.7	-0.3	34.8	2.4	33.4	3.4	32.9	2.5	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.8	1.2	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.2	-1.2	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.1	1.8	33.3	24.7	32.5	20.8	34.0	3.0
Mar	33.1	0.6	33.8	7.3	35.8	-0.3	34.4	0.3	33.6	-1.8	32.0	-0.9	33.0	0.0	33.8	-1.7	31.5	3.3	32.1	7.0	33.0	-1.2
Apr	34.6	8.1	34.0	9.0	35.9	8.1	35.8	10.8	34.6	4.2	35.0	5.7	33.7	12.3	33.6	3.1	34.1	8.6	33.5	7.4	33.7	18.2
May	34.7	-0.6	33.8	1.2	36.0	-0.3	37.1	0.3	35.1	2.0	35.0	-1.4	33.5	-1.2	35.0	-0.6	34.9	-1.4	36.1	-4.5	35.5	1.1
Jun	35.0	0.3	33.8	-0.3	36.4	0.8	36.3	0.0	34.9	-1.1	35.3	0.0	34.0	0.6	35.8	1.1	35.1	0.6	36.4	-2.4	37.3	2.5
Jul	32.1	0.3	31.8	-0.9	34.6	1.2	33.4	2.8	32.2	-0.3	32.3	0.6	30.2	-0.3	33.6	3.1	32.5	1.2	34.3	1.8	34.5	-0.6
Aug	32.0	0.0	30.9	-0.3	34.2	0.9	33.4	1.8	32.4	2.2	32.5	0.3	30.3	-1.3	33.4	2.1	31.7	0.6	34.1	3.0	32.2	0.9
Sep	34.8	-0.3	33.5	-1.8	36.8	0.5	36.5	2.5	35.5	2.3	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-0.9	36.7	2.2	34.3	-1.4	35.9	0.0	35.8	1.7
Oct	30.8	0.3	29.4	-2.6	34.0	3.0	33.3	2.5	30.7	-1.6	30.8	0.7	29.5	0.0	32.2	0.3	30.7	0.0	31.9	1.9	32.5	0.6
Nov	32.9	0.3	30.4	-0.7	34.2	3.3	32.1	3.2	30.6	0.3	33.9	-0.6	33.0	0.3	31.7	-0.6	30.8	1.7	30.7	-1.0	32.2	1.6
Dec	34.6	0.0	33.7	0.0	36.9	0.8	34.8	0.3	34.2	-1.2	34.9	-0.3	33.5	-0.3	35.1	-0.3	34.5	-0.3	34.0	0.9	35.0	0.3
2006 Jan	34.3	1.8	33.8	3.0	36.7	4.0	34.3	4.6	33.5	-0.3	34.5	1.2	33.1	1.2	34.5	-0.9	33.6	0.6	33.1	0.6	33.9	0.9
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Jan-Jan05	33.7		32.8		35.3		32.8		33.6		34.1		32.7		34.8		33.4		32.9		33.6	
Jan-Jan06	34.3		33.8		36.7		34.3		33.5		34.5		33.1		34.5		33.6		33.1		33.9	
% Change	1.8		3.0		4.0		4.6		-0.3		1.2		1.2		-0.9		0.6		0.6		0.9	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.1 C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPL MENT TRENDS

		Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
		$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
	1996									377.6		1,194.9					
	1997	731.93		579.76		18.51		16.47		417.3	10.5	1,443.2	20.8	36.3		32.0	
	1998	754.02	3.0	584.04	0.7	18.99	2.6	16.66	1.2	408.5	-2.1	1,449.9	0.5	36.0	-0.8	31.5	-1.6
	1999	763.14	1.2	594.48	1.8	19.20	1.1	16.86	1.2	393.8	-3.6	1,500.5	3.5	36.2	0.6	31.5	0.0
	2000	764.48	0.2	607.09	2.1	19.26	0.3	17.23	2.2	406.3	3.2	1,525.0	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
	2001	780.91	2.1	616.03	1.5	19.60	1.8	17.59	2.1	382.3	-5.9	1,539.3	0.9	36.3	-1.6	31.2	-3.4
	2002	787.66	0.9	638.67	3.7	19.91	1.6	18.27	3.9	392.2	2.6	1,572.8	2.2	35.8	-1.4	31.0	-0.6
	2003	809.71	2.8	651.68	2.0	20.47	2.8	18.66	2.1	416.4	6.2	1,598.3	1.6	35.6	-0.6	30.8	-0.6
	2004	793.81	-2.0	658.93	1.1	19.94	-2.6	18.74	0.4	436.9	4.9	1,625.8	1.7	36.3	2.0	31.2	1.3
	2005	807.50	1.7	678.52	3.0	20.20	1.3	19.15	2.2	452.7	3.6	1,677.8	3.2	36.7	1.1	31.5	1.0
2005	Jan	814.25	0.9	681.60	5.2	20.64	0.6	19.35	3.5	438.7	7.7	1,619.3	1.1	35.5	0.9	32.1	1.3
	Feb	802.07	0.6	680.21	3.4	20.22	0.4	19.34	2.3	441.7	9.0	1,628.1	2.3	37.8	1.1	32.8	1.5
	Mar	802.27	3.5	671.79	2.7	20.10	2.6	19.03	2.4	434.5	6.1	1,646.1	2.5	38.1	5.8	32.7	7.6
	Apr	817.72	5.0	671.06	3.2	20.37	3.3	19.06	2.7	443.3	6.1	1,649.1	3.4	38.7	9.9	32.8	9.0
	May	816.80	6.2	669.99	3.2	20.40	5.0	18.99	2.5	451.2	4.1	1,687.1	3.8	38.1	1.9	32.7	0.9
	Jun	810.45	4.2	672.70	3.2	20.16	4.8	18.94	2.4	465.1	1.8	1,694.1	2.2	38.1	-1.3	32.6	0.0
	Jul	796.14	1.0	671.86	3.2	19.65	0.4	18.66	2.0	486.2	3.9	1,675.2	2.2	36.8	0.0	30.3	-1.3
	Aug	786.99	0.2	680.54	3.0	19.68	1.0	18.98	2.5	475.2	1.5	1,691.5	4.1	35.9	-0.6	29.5	-0.3
	Sep	804.71	-1.2	686.37	2.8	20.06	-1.3	19.39	2.5	449.1	0.3	1,693.6	3.4	38.3	-0.3	32.3	-2.1
	Oct	802.39	-1.3	682.91	1.1	20.07	-1.7	19.33	1.4	451.8	-0.8	1,709.1	4.5	33.2	-0.6	28.4	-3.1
	Nov	829.00	1.4	690.78	3.1	20.68	0.9	19.44	1.5	452.1	3.3	1,715.9	4.8	33.6	-1.5	29.6	0.0
	Dec	809.90	0.9	682.06	1.7	20.43	-0.4	19.33	0.8	443.8	2.0	1,724.9	4.0	37.1	-0.5	32.8	0.0
2006	Jan	835.07	2.6	693.64	1.8	20.96	1.6	19.60	1.3	421.5	-3.9	1,701.1	5.1	37.1	4.5	33.0	2.8
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Jan-Jan05		814.25		681.60		20.64		19.35		438.7		1,619.3		35.5		32.1	
Jan-Jan06		835.07		693.64		20.96		19.60		421.5		1,701.1		37.1		33.0	
% Change		2.6		1.8		1.6		1.3		-3.9		5.1		4.5		2.8	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Prepared by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996												
1997	731.93		419.45		894.10		891.22		734.88		683.80	
1998	754.02	3.0	448.71	7.0	899.86	0.6	965.38	8.3	748.01	1.8	728.54	6.5
1999	763.14	1.2	518.47	15.5	943.23	4.8	919.16	-4.8	756.61	1.1	706.60	-3.0
2000	764.48	0.2	443.18	-14.5	945.49	0.2	952.59	3.6	750.08	-0.9	737.24	4.3
2001	780.91	2.1	463.69	4.6	974.68	3.1	945.04	-0.8	762.88	1.7	786.23	6.6
2002	787.66	0.9	458.57	-1.1	953.33	-2.2	980.51	3.8	784.68	2.9	778.14	-1.0
2003	809.71	2.8	479.92	4.7	968.26	1.6	1079.10	10.1	807.45	2.9	779.83	0.2
2004	793.81	-2.0	494.54	3.0	1019.25	5.3	998.53	-7.5	791.22	-2.0	784.30	0.6
2005	807.50	1.7	506.64	2.4	1047.49	2.8	1056.01	5.8	803.36	1.5	778.92	-0.7
2005 Jan	814.25	0.9	609.90	31.6	1010.20	4.0	935.26	-11.3	800.54	0.1	807.38	1.3
Feb	802.07	0.6	518.67	0.7	977.23	0.7	925.86	-17.5	794.70	0.9	804.70	1.7
Mar	802.27	3.5	549.37	11.2	1025.39	-0.3	962.49	-11.3	776.50	3.5	820.90	3.5
Apr	817.72	5.0	491.26	-1.6	1038.44	5.2	1107.72	15.3	796.33	2.4	829.54	4.8
May	816.80	6.2	455.50	-8.2	1046.63	6.1	1189.24	17.2	802.36	3.5	790.51	6.1
Jun	810.45	4.2	482.83	-7.2	1004.93	2.4	1073.73	12.6	820.27	5.9	764.82	-1.1
Jul	796.14	1.0	520.80	3.2	1029.46	1.8	1095.99	15.1	798.77	-0.2	758.23	0.5
Aug	786.99	0.2	507.95	-1.3	956.76	-6.7	1131.70	10.7	805.60	3.5	744.46	-3.8
Sep	804.71	-1.2	477.14	1.1	1055.95	-1.8	1107.27	0.5	803.93	-0.5	762.24	-5.5
Oct	802.39	-1.3	481.68	6.4	1118.11	-0.3	1073.63	17.7	800.07	-2.0	743.37	-6.2
Nov	829.00	1.4	515.67	10.7	1168.61	14.8	1026.99	22.8	822.51	-0.2	783.19	-3.7
Dec	809.90	0.9	488.40	-4.2	1177.80	13.7	896.76	-2.7	818.74	2.0	756.33	-2.9
2006 Jan	835.07	2.6	507.45	-16.8	1083.22	7.2	1020.34	9.1	843.14	5.3	791.43	-2.0
Feb												
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Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jan05	814.25		609.90		1010.20		935.26		800.54		807.38	
Jan-Jan06	835.07		507.45		1083.22		1020.34		843.14		791.43	
% Change	2.6		-16.8		7.2		9.1		5.3		-2.0	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.2B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996									733.47		738.41		604.89		315.46		787.32		612.63	
1997	579.76		700.83		489.26		590.49		750.34	2.3	725.43	-1.8	614.73	1.6	328.88	4.3	767.01	-2.6	621.21	1.4
1998	584.04	0.7	720.07	2.7	481.79	-1.5	631.81	7.0	776.25	3.5	738.95	1.9	624.62	1.6	318.75	-3.1	791.92	3.2	628.82	1.2
1999	594.48	1.8	733.87	1.9	503.61	4.5	627.82	-0.6	778.28	0.3	766.76	3.8	635.84	1.8	338.07	6.1	813.88	2.8	639.37	1.7
2000	607.09	2.1	730.56	-0.5	489.95	-2.7	677.15	7.9	808.78	3.9	745.10	-2.8	660.53	3.9	344.40	1.9	825.90	1.5	648.19	1.4
2001	616.03	1.5	770.96	5.5	488.29	-0.3	682.44	0.8	850.34	5.1	776.52	4.2	688.72	4.3	334.46	-2.9	889.68	7.7	668.04	3.1
2002	638.67	3.7	801.51	4.0	502.66	2.9	732.43	7.3	859.44	1.1	791.53	1.9	707.75	2.8	350.03	4.7	906.69	1.9	683.68	2.3
2003	651.68	2.0	803.93	0.3	522.83	4.0	728.90	-0.5	841.32	-2.1	825.68	4.3	732.99	3.6	362.56	3.6	911.87	0.6	686.74	0.4
2004	658.93	1.1	788.53	-1.9	521.95	-0.2	721.30	-1.0	930.40	10.6	852.02	3.2	727.40	-0.8	385.89	6.4	952.45	4.5	704.49	2.6
2005	678.52	3.0	838.68	6.4	522.12	0.0	732.85	1.6												
2005 Jan	681.60	5.2	852.21	15.1	517.83	4.1	746.37	2.8	891.40	1.8	844.27	12.9	750.98	2.2	386.59	46.1	966.37	2.9	708.11	4.4
Feb	680.21	3.4	812.39	8.2	520.37	-1.2	726.95	-2.6	916.04	10.2	824.99	1.5	747.17	-2.1	390.16	47.7	961.56	5.0	704.75	2.8
Mar	671.79	2.7	817.79	12.5	512.43	-2.6	739.28	-4.6	924.74	9.8	825.58	4.4	720.04	-3.9	367.26	38.2	964.13	8.6	697.93	2.9
Apr	671.06	3.2	807.20	9.2	530.21	1.7	706.98	-4.7	962.01	17.2	832.61	6.5	722.32	-3.6	366.83	40.5	940.15	4.7	700.18	3.5
May	669.99	3.2	820.52	11.9	512.41	1.3	708.38	-5.3	945.56	10.9	850.19	6.2	713.16	-4.7	374.31	36.3	903.96	1.8	699.26	3.7
Jun	672.70	3.2	861.27	12.6	512.76	-3.2	733.42	1.7	899.39	13.4	861.00	4.0	718.84	-0.1	385.24	41.1	929.94	4.3	701.03	3.4
Jul	671.86	3.2	857.03	7.8	516.48	-2.3	714.52	0.1	920.22	14.4	829.92	-6.7	721.87	2.3	396.56	50.3	909.15	2.7	698.58	2.6
Aug	680.54	3.0	833.37	1.5	523.72	0.0	707.78	1.5	941.05	13.9	911.82	-2.1	721.27	1.4	403.44	48.9	943.48	5.1	703.02	2.2
Sep	686.37	2.8	850.18	1.0	544.43	3.6	732.03	6.4	944.09	9.5	841.11	-2.0	729.18	5.0	400.61	47.9	974.86	6.3	709.61	1.6
Oct	682.91	1.1	860.07	-1.6	521.82	-2.5	763.42	11.6	942.04	7.1	870.77	4.1	724.24	-2.1	403.72	52.3	978.94	3.8	706.73	0.3
Nov	690.78	3.1	828.84	-2.0	524.61	-0.6	768.26	10.5	951.24	14.1	882.06	7.0	739.21	0.0	384.09	47.1	979.43	5.3	717.99	2.5
Dec	682.06	1.7	856.03	3.1	526.49	1.9	756.06	4.5	927.60	7.3	861.36	2.0	718.29	-4.0	369.59	41.3	987.13	3.6	706.56	1.4
2006 Jan	693.64	1.8	866.24	1.6	553.17	6.8	788.44	5.6	903.99	1.4	837.86	-0.8	735.18	-2.1	370.93	-4.1	961.52	-0.5	720.31	1.7
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Average:																				
Jan-Jan05	681.60		852.21		517.83		746.37		891.40		844.27		750.98		386.59		966.37		708.11	
Jan-Jan06	693.64		866.24		553.17		788.44		903.99		837.86		735.18		370.93		961.52		720.31	
% Change	1.8		1.6		6.8		5.6		1.4		-0.8		-2.1		-4.1		-0.5		1.7	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

Produced by: BC STATS

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996	18.51		11.50		21.43		23.55		18.50		17.80	
1997	18.99	2.6	12.04	4.7	21.23	-0.9	25.21	7.0	18.94	2.4	18.62	4.6
1998	19.20	1.1	13.72	14.0	21.93	3.3	24.16	-4.2	19.14	1.1	18.23	-2.1
1999	19.26	0.3	11.38	-17.1	22.71	3.6	24.75	2.4	18.95	-1.0	18.93	3.8
2000	19.60	1.8	11.92	4.7	22.80	0.4	24.76	0.0	19.29	1.8	19.89	5.1
2001	19.91	1.6	11.83	-0.8	22.32	-2.1	25.92	4.7	19.88	3.1	20.02	0.7
2002	20.47	2.8	12.77	7.9	23.20	3.9	28.13	8.5	20.47	3.0	19.91	-0.5
2003	19.94	-2.6	12.61	-1.3	24.00	3.4	25.81	-8.2	20.01	-2.2	19.78	-0.7
2004	20.20	1.3	12.69	0.6	24.19	0.8	27.57	6.8	20.31	1.5	19.57	-1.1
2005 Jan	20.64	0.6	15.28	6.1	23.97	0.2	25.02	-9.6	20.20	0.0	21.06	3.6
Feb	20.22	0.4	13.05	-0.5	23.24	1.6	24.49	-18.8	20.21	1.1	20.31	1.4
Mar	20.10	2.6	13.12	-0.8	24.35	4.6	25.48	-10.4	19.79	2.4	20.33	3.3
Apr	20.37	3.3	12.26	-3.8	24.42	0.0	28.77	14.8	20.15	1.8	20.44	3.5
May	20.40	5.0	11.53	-5.6	24.13	-0.9	30.91	17.1	20.36	4.0	19.71	3.9
Jun	20.16	4.8	12.01	-2.2	23.13	-0.7	27.78	15.5	20.61	6.2	19.21	0.7
Jul	19.65	0.4	12.93	9.6	23.30	-2.3	28.26	16.3	19.98	0.3	18.73	-2.4
Aug	19.68	1.0	12.00	-0.8	22.82	-1.8	29.45	18.2	20.23	2.9	18.84	-3.1
Sep	20.06	-1.3	12.36	-1.0	24.39	-0.1	28.47	9.2	20.23	-1.7	19.05	-4.8
Oct	20.07	-1.7	12.24	0.2	25.04	-3.0	28.16	18.1	20.33	-1.4	18.77	-6.6
Nov	20.68	0.9	13.09	1.8	25.68	7.4	26.65	16.7	20.85	1.1	19.70	-4.1
Dec	20.43	-0.4	13.40	-1.6	26.72	8.4	24.12	-4.7	20.84	1.7	19.22	-5.3
2006 Jan	20.96	1.6	13.38	-12.4	24.48	2.1	27.40	9.5	21.43	6.1	19.94	-5.3
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Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jan05	20.64		15.28		23.97		25.02		20.20		21.06	
Jan-Jan06	20.96		13.38		24.48		27.40		21.43		19.94	
% Change	1.6		-12.4		2.1		9.5		6.1		-5.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996																				
1997	16.47		18.21		13.56		16.15		19.12		22.51		18.51		10.11		21.20		16.91	
1998	16.66	1.2	18.67	2.5	13.58	0.1	17.27	6.9	19.63	2.7	22.20	-1.4	18.78	1.5	10.42	3.1	20.94	-1.2	17.17	1.5
1999	16.86	1.2	19.03	1.9	14.09	3.8	17.15	-0.7	20.47	4.3	22.02	-0.8	18.98	1.1	10.29	-1.2	21.56	3.0	17.34	1.0
2000	17.23	2.2	18.70	-1.7	13.95	-1.0	18.41	7.3	20.36	-0.5	23.05	4.7	19.29	1.6	10.81	5.1	21.88	1.5	17.64	1.7
2001	17.59	2.1	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.1	18.62	1.1	21.42	5.2	22.71	-1.5	20.17	4.6	10.95	1.3	22.56	3.1	17.98	1.9
2002	18.27	3.9	20.38	1.6	14.45	3.5	19.92	7.0	22.52	5.1	23.66	4.2	21.03	4.3	11.09	1.3	23.93	6.1	18.59	3.4
2003	18.66	2.1	20.43	0.2	14.93	3.3	19.78	-0.7	22.71	0.8	24.27	2.6	21.91	4.2	11.28	1.7	24.40	2.0	19.02	2.3
2004	18.74	0.4	19.95	-2.3	14.94	0.1	19.80	0.1	22.11	-2.6	25.04	3.2	22.04	0.6	11.57	2.6	24.81	1.7	18.99	-0.2
2005	19.15	2.2	21.16	6.1	14.97	0.2	19.89	0.5	24.30	9.9	25.21	0.7	21.87	-0.8	12.00	3.7	25.88	4.3	19.36	1.9
2005 Jan	19.35	3.5	21.43	11.3	15.09	3.4	20.88	5.8	23.43	2.3	25.17	8.0	22.37	-0.3	11.80	1.4	26.20	3.1	19.61	3.0
Feb	19.34	2.3	20.47	5.2	14.99	-3.1	19.98	-2.1	24.07	10.7	25.06	1.5	22.45	-1.0	11.93	4.0	26.26	6.2	19.52	1.9
Mar	19.03	2.4	20.59	10.2	14.91	-0.9	20.06	-3.7	24.32	10.6	24.28	0.5	21.83	-1.8	11.77	2.3	26.04	7.9	19.24	2.4
Apr	19.06	2.7	21.01	9.5	15.13	0.4	19.38	-5.8	24.69	12.8	24.99	4.4	21.54	-2.2	11.74	2.2	25.73	5.1	19.32	2.8
May	18.99	2.5	21.08	9.1	14.73	1.4	19.04	-4.5	24.62	7.6	25.68	4.7	21.29	-4.0	11.82	2.4	25.06	3.3	19.27	3.0
Jun	18.94	2.4	21.43	8.3	14.72	-1.8	19.56	-1.2	23.67	11.7	25.45	1.6	21.59	0.8	11.84	0.9	25.23	3.0	19.19	2.9
Jul	18.66	2.0	21.46	9.2	14.61	-1.7	19.05	-1.6	23.55	11.2	24.52	-2.9	21.31	-0.4	11.90	2.5	24.68	2.3	18.87	1.6
Aug	18.98	2.5	21.09	6.4	14.83	1.0	19.00	-1.2	24.49	11.6	26.32	-0.5	21.91	1.3	12.02	3.4	25.53	4.7	19.13	2.2
Sep	19.39	2.5	21.35	2.9	15.30	3.4	20.02	4.8	24.68	11.3	25.29	-1.7	22.03	2.3	12.42	5.9	26.59	5.3	19.52	1.6
Oct	19.33	1.4	21.40	0.8	15.04	-1.1	20.94	9.2	24.92	11.2	25.34	-1.9	21.90	-0.5	12.46	7.2	26.39	3.3	19.48	0.6
Nov	19.44	1.5	20.94	-0.3	15.03	-0.3	20.66	6.4	24.86	12.9	25.40	-2.8	22.14	-1.2	12.44	7.1	26.49	4.7	19.69	1.3
Dec	19.33	0.8	21.51	0.2	15.22	1.5	20.50	2.1	24.35	7.2	25.10	-2.4	21.95	-3.1	11.92	5.7	26.58	3.5	19.54	0.6
2006 Jan	19.60	1.3	21.79	1.7	15.75	4.4	20.97	0.4	23.62	0.8	24.44	-2.9	22.47	0.4	12.06	2.2	25.79	-1.6	19.86	1.3
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Average:																				
Jan-Jan05	19.35		21.43		15.09		20.88		23.43		25.17		22.37		11.80		26.20		19.61	
Jan-Jan06	19.60		21.79		15.75		20.97		23.62		24.44		22.47		12.06		25.79		19.86	
% Change	1.3		1.7		4.4		0.4		0.8		-2.9		0.4		2.2		-1.6		1.3	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4A **B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)**

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing: Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied		Construction	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1996	408.2		30.7		31.6		5.0		17.6		192.8		23.9		43.2		23.3		119.3	
1997	417.3	2.2	34.0	10.7	31.3	-0.9	5.4	8.0	16.4	-6.8	196.2	1.8	25.4	6.3	44.9	3.9	23.3	0.0	123.1	3.2
1998	408.5	-2.1	33.0	-2.9	29.9	-4.5	3.4	-37.0	17.6	7.3	195.9	-0.2	25.7	1.2	43.6	-2.9	22.9	-1.7	117.2	-4.8
1999	393.8	-3.6	28.1	-14.8	30.1	0.7	3.9	14.7	14.9	-15.3	191.8	-2.1	21.7	-15.6	42.5	-2.5	22.3	-2.6	114.3	-2.5
2000	406.3	3.2	29.7	5.7	35.8	18.9	4.4	12.8	12.9	-13.4	202.5	5.6	23.5	8.3	45.9	8.0	17.8	-20.2	111.1	-2.8
2001	382.3	-5.9	25.5	-14.1	25.1	-29.9	4.8	9.1	11.4	-11.6	194.9	-3.8	25.6	8.9	48.8	6.3	15.0	-15.7	110.7	-0.4
2002	392.2	2.6	29.0	13.7	25.4	1.2	3.1	-35.4	9.2	-19.3	196.6	0.9	27.0	5.5	43.8	-10.2	17.0	13.3	118.1	6.7
2003	416.4	6.2	32.9	13.4	27.5	8.3	4.5	45.2	13.2	43.5	206.8	5.2	31.4	16.3	49.0	11.9	14.4	-15.3	119.8	1.4
2004	436.9	4.9	36.9	12.2	21.4	-22.2	2.9	-35.6	11.0	-16.7	211.2	2.1	31.0	-1.3	46.5	-5.1	11.9	-17.4	144.0	20.2
2005	452.7	3.6	38.7	4.9	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	198.2	-6.2	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	168.0	16.7
2005 Jan	438.7	7.7	34.4	10.3	19.2	3.2	0.0	-100.0	13.8	27.8	203.8	-2.3	38.6	-8.3	39.2	-18.2	12.5	19.0	158.6	28.3
Feb	441.7	9.0	35.2	8.6	22.5	4.2	1.6	-51.5	12.7	13.4	201.6	-3.4	39.7	23.3	42.9	-10.8	12.4	13.8	158.6	32.7
Mar	434.5	6.1	37.5	9.3	19.5	-8.0	0.0	-100.0	14.3	55.4	195.4	-5.0	37.7	25.2	43.7	-20.1	12.9	37.2	157.1	24.4
Apr	443.3	6.1	40.7	8.2	21.8	16.6	0.0	-100.0	12.0	39.5	193.1	-7.6	33.7	13.9	41.2	-17.4	13.8	32.7	163.9	25.1
May	451.2	4.1	39.0	-6.0	25.3	29.7	3.1	-13.9	12.4	19.2	196.0	-7.5	35.4	21.2	42.4	-11.1	13.8	-4.2	162.5	19.6
Jun	465.1	1.8	42.8	-0.9	25.4	1.2	4.9	63.3	12.8	20.8	194.3	-8.6	30.1	-2.3	46.0	-0.9	11.0	-24.7	171.5	12.8
Jul	486.2	3.9	49.6	14.8	23.7	-14.1	2.0	-20.0	14.4	42.6	205.9	-6.5	35.6	42.4	50.1	-0.4	12.5	-8.1	177.5	14.4
Aug	475.2	1.5	45.3	5.6	23.8	3.9	1.7	-55.3	14.6	36.4	199.7	-9.4	30.5	3.4	49.5	9.3	12.7	6.7	178.8	13.5
Sep	449.1	0.3	37.9	7.1	21.6	-1.8	1.7	-34.6	13.7	23.4	197.7	-7.8	25.2	-7.7	47.0	4.4	9.6	-16.5	166.2	8.2
Oct	451.8	-0.8	37.3	-0.8	22.1	3.3	3.2	33.3	14.3	10.9	194.1	-7.8	25.4	-23.0	51.7	22.2	9.9	-22.0	171.1	5.4
Nov	452.1	3.3	30.5	-1.6	16.7	-16.1	1.6	0.0	15.6	18.2	206.7	-0.8	22.6	-36.3	48.1	15.1	13.2	20.0	172.9	10.5
Dec	443.8	2.0	34.6	4.5	18.1	-8.1	2.5	#DIV/0!	15.1	2.0	189.5	-7.1	23.6	-29.1	47.8	10.6	13.2	1.5	177.1	14.6
2006 Jan	421.5	-3.9	29.1	-15.4	16.1	-16.1	3.5	#DIV/0!	17.3	25.4	184.9	-9.3	20.8	-46.1	45.6	16.3	12.2	-2.4	161.9	2.1
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Jan-Jan05	438.7		34.4		19.2		0.0		13.8		203.8		38.6		39.2		12.5		158.6	
Jan-Jan06	421.5		29.1		16.1		3.5		17.3		184.9		20.8		45.6		12.2		161.9	
% Change	-3.9		-15.4		-16.1		#DIV/0!		25.4		-9.3		-46.1		16.3		-2.4		2.1	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1996	1,408.2		100.3		291.2		124.0		786.6		118.4		183.3		140.8		106.1		1,816.4	
1997	1,443.2	2.5	108.0	7.7	297.7	2.2	127.7	3.0	809.1	2.9	120.3	1.6	191.3	4.4	142.2	1.0	100.7	-5.1	1,860.5	2.4
1998	1,449.9	0.5	105.6	-2.2	289.7	-2.7	122.3	-4.2	838.5	3.6	118.3	-1.7	197.4	3.2	146.8	3.2	93.8	-6.9	1,858.4	-0.1
1999	1,500.5	3.5	115.9	9.8	304.8	5.2	121.0	-1.1	866.3	3.3	127.3	7.6	193.3	-2.1	149.1	1.6	92.5	-1.4	1,894.4	1.9
2000	1,525.0	1.6	116.9	0.9	300.8	-1.3	118.3	-2.2	896.5	3.5	136.6	7.3	201.2	4.1	154.5	3.6	92.4	-0.1	1,931.3	1.9
2001	1,539.3	0.9	112.4	-3.8	303.3	0.8	120.9	2.2	913.1	1.9	138.3	1.2	196.8	-2.2	163.7	6.0	89.5	-3.1	1,921.6	-0.5
2002	1,572.8	2.2	112.9	0.4	324.9	7.1	123.3	2.0	923.6	1.1	139.3	0.7	211.6	7.5	162.5	-0.7	88.1	-1.6	1,965.0	2.3
2003	1,598.3	1.6	119.6	5.9	327.8	0.9	124.5	1.0	933.3	1.1	140.1	0.6	213.3	0.8	159.4	-1.9	93.0	5.6	2,014.7	2.5
2004	1,625.8	1.7	116.5	-2.6	315.8	-3.7	129.2	3.8	967.1	3.6	135.9	-3.0	219.2	2.8	175.3	10.0	97.2	4.5	2,062.7	2.4
2005	1,677.8	3.2	118.7	1.9	334.6	6.0	132.9	2.9	996.5	3.0	146.1	7.5	217.4	-0.8	175.8	0.3	95.1	-2.2	2,130.5	3.3
2005 Jan	1,619.3	1.1	112.2	-5.1	319.5	-3.6	128.3	1.4	968.6	4.0	145.0	0.6	220.4	2.8	168.9	7.8	90.7	-3.7	2,058.0	2.5
Feb	1,628.1	2.3	109.9	-3.9	315.6	0.9	130.9	5.6	980.2	3.8	153.8	4.9	218.9	4.8	163.0	-2.6	91.5	-5.1	2,069.8	3.7
Mar	1,646.1	2.5	112.2	0.1	326.2	1.7	137.3	6.8	977.3	3.4	148.9	8.4	216.4	-0.9	164.8	-3.3	93.2	-6.2	2,080.6	3.2
Apr	1,649.1	3.4	108.2	-6.0	317.2	2.8	131.7	0.5	1,000.6	5.8	154.0	14.0	213.7	-1.0	179.1	2.3	91.5	-3.9	2,092.4	3.9
May	1,687.1	3.8	118.8	2.3	326.2	4.6	134.9	3.8	1,003.2	3.6	153.0	10.4	208.3	-3.6	179.3	3.6	104.0	5.8	2,138.3	3.9
Jun	1,694.1	2.2	118.2	-4.2	318.0	1.9	139.8	9.6	1,019.2	2.5	154.7	11.6	209.7	-6.6	178.9	-2.7	99.1	0.1	2,159.2	2.1
Jul	1,675.2	2.2	129.6	3.6	323.0	1.2	135.6	8.2	990.3	2.0	129.8	15.4	211.9	-3.8	189.8	1.4	96.7	-1.8	2,161.4	2.6
Aug	1,691.5	4.1	126.3	7.1	336.1	8.9	137.0	2.8	990.7	2.8	125.2	18.6	220.2	0.6	182.7	-1.9	101.3	-0.7	2,166.7	3.5
Sep	1,693.6	3.4	128.9	9.5	342.6	9.4	127.4	-1.1	998.6	1.9	148.0	5.1	220.7	-2.9	176.7	0.4	96.1	-2.0	2,142.7	2.7
Oct	1,709.1	4.5	122.7	5.3	362.7	16.4	129.2	-2.0	1,001.4	2.2	140.9	0.3	225.1	2.7	175.0	1.4	93.1	-3.4	2,160.9	3.3
Nov	1,715.9	4.8	121.2	8.6	362.8	15.4	131.9	0.9	1,009.5	2.4	146.4	0.3	225.7	1.9	172.5	-1.8	90.5	-3.8	2,168.0	4.5
Dec	1,724.9	4.0	115.8	5.2	365.5	12.8	131.1	-1.7	1,018.5	2.2	153.2	5.7	218.2	-3.4	178.6	-0.8	93.9	-0.8	2,168.6	3.6
2006 Jan	1,701.1	5.1	122.0	8.7	350.5	9.7	128.0	-0.2	1,006.0	3.9	159.6	10.1	210.6	-4.4	171.1	1.3	94.6	4.3	2,122.5	3.1
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Average:																				
Jan-Jan05	1,619.3		112.2		319.5		128.3		968.6		145.0		220.4		168.9		90.7		2,058.0	
Jan-Jan06	1,701.1		122.0		350.5		128.0		1,006.0		159.6		210.6		171.1		94.6		2,122.5	
% Change	5.1		8.7		9.7		-0.2		3.9		10.1		-4.4		1.3		4.3		3.1	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1996	36.3		38.9		37.7		32.8		36.5		35.1	
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-5.4	38.4	1.9	36.0	9.8	36.2	-0.8	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	1.0	34.2	-5.0	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.0	-3.5	36.7	2.5	34.1	-1.7
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.6	7.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.6	2.4	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.4	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.3
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-6.0	37.8	0.5	33.4	-2.9	36.0	-0.8	35.0	-0.8
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.4	0.3	37.9	0.3	34.4	3.0	35.6	-1.1	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.4	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.6	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2005	36.7	1.1	37.1	0.5	40.6	3.3	35.8	12.6	36.5	1.4	36.2	0.0
2005 Jan	35.5	0.9	32.0	5.6	38.4	-4.2	39.7	15.1	37.6	4.4	32.7	-3.8
Feb	37.8	1.1	33.3	-5.7	41.4	0.2	39.5	10.0	38.0	2.4	37.5	0.0
Mar	38.1	5.8	37.1	12.4	39.9	7.8	36.1	23.2	37.6	5.0	38.5	2.9
Apr	38.7	9.9	38.3	8.5	36.6	15.5	38.1	40.1	38.8	7.8	39.0	10.8
May	38.1	1.9	39.5	0.0	42.8	11.7	38.7	7.2	36.7	0.0	38.1	1.6
Jun	38.1	-1.3	40.4	-0.7	41.7	1.0	34.1	11.4	38.4	2.7	36.6	-7.3
Jul	36.8	0.0	40.2	12.0	43.5	7.1	35.0	8.7	35.4	-1.4	36.2	-3.7
Aug	35.9	-0.6	39.2	-0.8	41.1	-1.2	32.4	2.9	35.0	0.3	35.2	-1.9
Sep	38.3	-0.3	37.3	1.1	43.6	4.3	32.4	-15.2	37.6	-1.3	38.5	0.5
Oct	33.2	-0.6	35.3	-13.3	36.0	-3.7	34.3	37.8	32.0	-1.8	33.3	3.1
Nov	33.6	-1.5	33.3	-8.5	39.5	-0.5	31.9	10.0	32.5	-2.7	33.9	1.2
Dec	37.1	-0.5	35.9	0.3	42.2	8.5	35.8	7.8	38.2	0.0	35.3	-2.2
2006 Jan	37.1	4.5	31.6	-1.3	42.0	9.4	34.2	-13.9	37.6	0.0	36.6	11.9
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Average:												
Jan-Jan05	35.5		32.0		38.4		39.7		37.6		32.7	
Jan-Jan06	37.1		31.6		42.0		34.2		37.6		36.6	
% Change	4.5		-1.3		9.4		-13.9		0.0		11.9	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.			
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1996	32.3		35.5		33.1		33.4		36.4		29.8		29.3		29.5		33.2		33.2	
1997	32.0	-0.9	36.2	2.0	33.2	0.3	33.8	1.2	35.3	-3.0	29.3	-1.7	29.3	0.0	29.4	-0.3	33.1	-0.3	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.8	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.8	-0.9	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	1.7	27.9	0.0	29.5	3.1	29.8	-2.0	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.8	32.0	0.6	33.9	2.4	35.5	1.1	29.7	6.5	30.6	3.7	29.6	-0.7	34.2	4.0	33.2	2.2
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.5	32.9	-2.9	33.8	-4.8	28.7	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	0.7	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.0
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	0.6	29.0	1.0	29.1	0.7	28.0	-6.0	33.3	5.0	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	0.6	28.1	-3.1	28.0	-3.8	29.0	3.6	32.2	-3.3	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.5	2.0	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	3.2	26.8	-4.6	29.1	3.9	29.3	1.0	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2005	31.5	1.0	36.5	0.0	31.1	0.0	32.9	2.2	35.1	-0.6	28.4	6.0	29.9	2.7	29.4	0.3	32.5	0.6	32.6	0.9
2005 Jan	32.1	1.3	36.2	2.3	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.4	35.4	-2.7	31.8	-2.5	32.4	7.3	30.0	6.8	34.2	2.1	32.8	1.2
Feb	32.8	1.5	37.8	5.3	31.1	0.0	33.9	0.9	37.0	-4.9	31.8	-0.9	30.2	-0.3	30.9	9.2	34.6	-2.0	33.8	1.2
Mar	32.7	7.6	37.4	1.9	31.4	0.0	33.9	4.0	37.6	2.2	31.6	116.4	31.0	7.6	28.3	0.0	34.0	2.7	33.8	7.3
Apr	32.8	9.0	36.3	2.0	32.5	6.9	34.3	11.7	37.4	12.7	33.1	20.4	30.3	9.4	28.5	2.5	35.4	24.6	34.0	9.0
May	32.7	0.9	37.4	-0.5	31.8	1.3	35.1	2.3	35.3	-4.6	32.4	6.9	31.9	2.2	29.0	0.7	32.6	-5.5	33.8	1.2
Jun	32.6	0.0	38.8	-1.8	31.9	-2.1	33.9	2.7	35.9	0.3	33.1	9.2	30.5	2.0	30.2	0.3	32.7	-2.1	33.8	-0.3
Jul	30.3	-1.3	37.4	-1.3	30.5	-3.8	32.1	-3.0	33.4	-3.2	15.6	2.6	29.4	5.8	30.9	2.0	32.0	1.3	31.8	-0.9
Aug	29.5	-0.3	34.9	-3.9	30.2	-2.9	31.8	3.9	32.2	-2.4	13.8	-13.8	27.4	1.9	30.5	4.8	29.1	-7.6	30.9	-0.3
Sep	32.3	-2.1	35.9	-5.0	31.7	-2.5	32.9	-1.5	35.3	-8.1	33.3	2.1	30.3	2.0	30.4	-0.3	32.0	-2.1	33.5	-1.8
Oct	28.4	-3.1	34.3	2.1	29.3	1.7	29.1	-2.7	32.3	4.5	17.6	-35.5	27.0	-0.7	28.3	-2.7	30.0	6.4	29.4	-2.6
Nov	29.6	0.0	33.6	-2.3	29.5	1.4	30.7	3.0	32.1	-0.3	28.0	9.8	28.3	0.7	27.2	-11.4	30.1	4.5	30.4	-0.7
Dec	32.8	0.0	38.1	4.4	32.7	3.5	33.6	3.4	36.8	-1.6	33.6	4.7	30.7	-1.6	28.8	-4.6	33.8	-6.9	33.7	0.0
2006 Jan	33.0	2.8	37.7	4.1	32.7	7.6	34.9	3.9	37.8	6.8	33.5	5.3	30.4	-6.2	28.4	-5.3	35.3	3.2	33.8	3.0
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Jan-Jan05	32.1		36.2		30.4		33.6		35.4		31.8		32.4		30.0		34.2		32.8	
Jan-Jan06	33.0		37.7		32.7		34.9		37.8		33.5		30.4		28.4		35.3		33.8	
% Change	2.8		4.1		7.6		3.9		6.8		5.3		-6.2		-5.3		3.2		3.0	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on the 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions or comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

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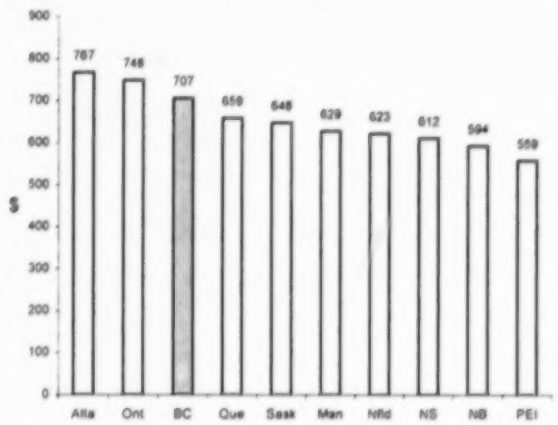
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - February 2006

by Province



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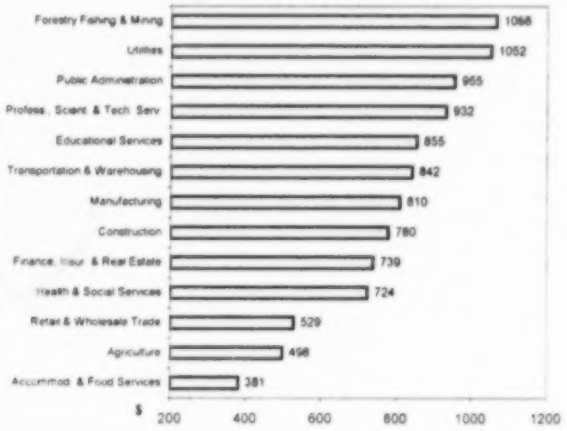

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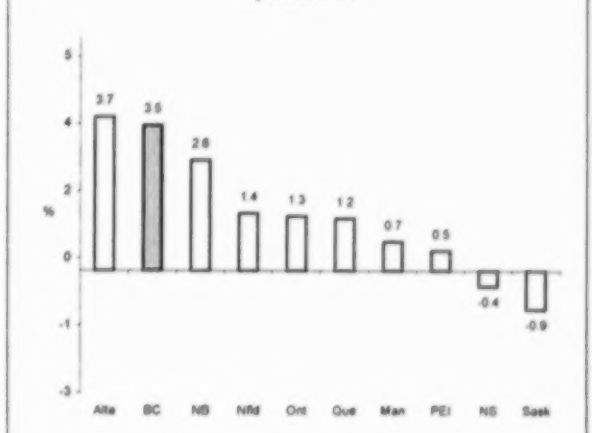
Employment Growth* - February 2006

by Province



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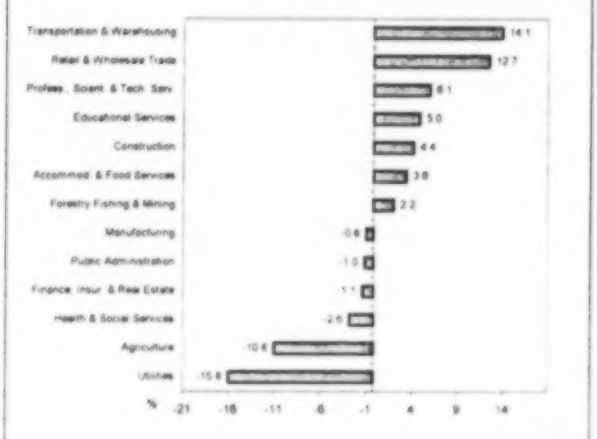

** Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)*

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

1 ***SUMMARY TRENDS***

		Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
					Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
		BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
		% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
	1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.7	0.9	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
	1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.4	2.1	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
	1998	0.3	0.9	1.6	1.4	1.4	3.9	1.1	0.5	2.3	-0.1	2.5	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
	1999	1.1	1.7	2.2	1.2	2.7	3.2	0.1	0.9	1.0	1.9	2.6	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
	2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.7	3.2	3.9	-0.2	0.4	0.5	1.9	2.5	2.5	7.1	6.8	4.0
	2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	2.7	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.5	1.2	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.7
	2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.1	2.2	2.6	0.7	0.0	1.0	2.3	2.4	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
	2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	1.9	2.2	0.2	-0.8	0.0	2.5	2.4	0.9	8.0	7.6	6.0
	2004	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.6	2.2	-1.5	0.7	-0.5	2.4	1.8	1.1	7.2	7.2	5.5
	2005	2.0	2.2	3.4	2.6	3.5	2.8	0.5	1.3	-0.5	3.3	1.4	1.8	5.9	6.8	5.1
2005	Jan	2.3	2.0	3.0	4.4	3.0	3.8	2.0	1.0	0.8	2.4	1.3	1.3	6.5	7.0	5.2
	Feb	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.8	2.5	1.4	0.7	0.4	-1.6	3.7	1.5	1.3	7.0	7.0	5.4
	Mar	2.1	2.3	3.1	2.9	2.6	2.4	0.8	0.2	-0.7	3.3	1.4	1.6	6.5	6.9	5.1
	Apr	2.0	2.4	3.5	3.5	3.0	3.0	1.5	0.6	-0.5	3.9	1.2	1.8	6.1	6.8	5.1
	May	1.5	1.6	2.8	3.7	2.7	2.3	2.2	1.1	-0.5	3.7	1.2	2.0	5.9	6.9	5.1
	Jun	1.5	1.7	2.5	3.4	3.5	2.9	1.9	1.8	0.4	2.1	1.1	1.8	5.8	6.8	5.0
	Jul	1.9	2.0	3.2	2.6	3.8	2.7	0.7	1.7	-0.4	2.6	1.3	1.8	6.1	6.8	5.0
	Aug	2.1	2.6	3.6	2.2	4.2	1.7	0.1	1.6	-1.9	3.6	1.6	2.1	5.7	6.8	4.9
	Sep	2.4	3.4	4.7	1.6	4.2	3.6	-0.8	0.8	-1.0	2.8	1.3	2.1	5.6	6.7	5.1
	Oct	2.3	2.6	4.3	0.3	4.0	4.6	-1.9	1.3	0.2	3.3	1.6	2.0	5.1	6.6	4.9
	Nov	2.0	2.0	3.5	2.5	3.9	3.5	0.4	1.9	0.1	4.4	1.7	1.7	4.9	6.4	5.0
	Dec	1.8	2.2	3.4	1.4	4.0	2.8	-0.4	1.8	-0.6	3.5	1.6	1.9	5.1	6.5	4.9
2006	Jan	1.6	2.8	4.0	1.7	3.5	3.9	0.1	0.7	-0.1	3.1	1.7	2.0	5.1	6.6	4.7
	Feb				1.7	3.3	3.6				3.5	1.7	2.1	4.8	6.4	4.8
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2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996																						
1997	573.25		612.63		562.34		503.70		508.80		605.28		548.86		488.70		479.75		440.72		495.30	
1998	581.38	1.4	621.21	1.4	574.30	2.1	510.88	1.4	517.48	1.7	612.18	1.1	557.54	1.6	497.82	1.9	494.58	3.1	447.28	1.5	492.94	-0.5
1999	597.08	2.7	628.82	1.2	594.57	3.5	526.79	3.1	532.50	2.9	634.16	3.6	566.69	1.6	506.47	1.7	504.77	2.1	463.69	3.7	496.99	0.8
2000	616.02	3.2	639.37	1.7	617.23	3.8	545.87	3.6	551.82	3.6	656.96	3.6	579.75	2.3	533.68	5.4	523.89	3.8	473.88	2.2	525.69	5.8
2001	635.75	3.2	648.19	1.4	653.69	5.9	571.73	4.7	562.32	1.9	678.51	3.3	596.38	2.9	537.56	0.7	543.33	3.7	496.19	4.7	549.60	4.5
2002	649.94	2.2	668.04	3.1	684.20	4.7	585.61	2.4	574.53	2.2	689.97	1.7	606.22	1.6	546.18	1.6	558.11	2.7	508.69	2.5	567.69	3.3
2003	662.44	1.9	683.68	2.3	688.04	0.6	604.82	3.3	588.61	2.5	701.35	1.6	619.30	2.2	561.46	2.8	574.14	2.9	538.53	5.9	588.26	3.6
2004	679.83	2.6	686.74	0.4	703.63	2.3	627.34	3.7	612.04	4.0	721.00	2.8	641.46	3.6	574.18	2.3	588.07	2.4	562.57	4.5	587.82	-0.1
2005	703.35	3.5	704.49	2.6	757.32	7.6	643.13	2.5	625.21	2.2	744.94	3.3	656.66	2.4	591.28	3.0	607.46	3.3	560.82	-0.3	615.82	4.8
2005 Jan	694.21	3.0	708.11	4.4	733.59	5.7	628.21	-0.5	604.42	0.6	735.95	2.2	649.70	3.6	585.92	2.1	588.47	1.4	584.13	4.6	595.40	2.2
Feb	692.65	2.5	704.75	2.8	737.76	7.3	640.84	-0.5	611.65	0.6	732.70	1.0	646.80	3.6	577.21	1.5	585.86	0.8	583.56	3.4	595.80	2.7
Mar	695.40	2.6	697.93	2.9	735.86	6.4	634.16	0.0	620.34	1.2	736.43	1.1	653.42	3.8	580.51	1.7	600.81	2.5	578.40	2.9	610.06	3.9
Apr	699.73	3.0	700.18	3.5	748.15	8.4	624.56	-0.4	623.21	0.6	743.31	2.0	653.09	3.0	574.80	0.3	611.46	3.6	571.19	1.4	602.29	-0.7
May	696.38	2.7	699.26	3.7	745.07	6.7	634.80	2.1	619.32	0.7	735.15	1.4	654.68	2.7	582.38	3.4	608.62	2.6	557.49	-0.7	611.91	4.0
Jun	701.29	3.5	701.03	3.4	749.67	8.0	644.72	2.9	631.95	2.2	741.62	2.8	656.55	2.4	593.30	6.0	618.66	4.5	546.87	-3.1	626.38	6.9
Jul	701.93	3.8	698.58	2.6	757.60	7.6	645.54	2.8	625.11	0.7	746.97	4.8	652.77	1.0	585.71	2.9	610.08	3.5	537.14	-1.8	611.98	7.7
Aug	708.11	4.2	703.02	2.2	762.10	7.0	648.59	3.9	632.63	2.4	752.96	5.6	660.50	1.7	594.71	4.1	608.81	2.9	545.95	-1.7	630.55	8.3
Sep	713.27	4.2	709.61	1.6	775.50	9.0	656.00	5.3	640.21	5.0	757.25	4.9	660.73	1.5	609.50	5.5	615.76	3.8	549.42	-2.1	631.30	6.6
Oct	711.08	4.0	706.73	0.3	775.06	7.9	647.84	3.7	627.05	2.2	752.31	5.3	664.85	2.1	600.48	1.7	615.37	4.7	559.37	-2.2	623.34	3.8
Nov	712.84	3.9	717.99	2.5	779.80	8.4	652.90	4.6	632.78	4.8	751.83	4.3	663.45	1.6	602.58	2.6	608.15	3.8	566.33	-1.5	623.68	4.8
Dec	712.28	4.0	706.56	1.4	785.26	8.9	659.25	6.5	633.08	4.9	751.89	4.4	662.56	1.7	605.21	3.7	614.85	5.1	561.78	-1.0	621.55	5.8
2006 Jan	718.57	3.5	720.31	1.7	801.44	9.2	663.21	5.6	631.52	4.5	754.31	2.5	667.81	2.8	601.69	2.7	619.62	5.3	564.16	-3.4	639.77	7.5
Feb	715.74	3.3	716.86	1.7	789.54	7.0	670.31	4.6	628.65	2.8	756.15	3.2	660.80	2.2	596.64	3.4	612.17	4.5	567.78	-2.7	643.47	8.0
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Jan-Feb05	693.43		706.43		735.68		634.53		608.04		734.33		648.25		581.57		587.17		583.85		595.60	
Jan-Feb06	717.16		718.59		795.49		666.76		630.09		755.23		664.31		599.17		615.90		565.97		641.62	
% Change	3.4		1.7		8.1		5.1		3.6		2.8		2.5		3.0		4.9		-3.1		7.7	

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	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996																						
1997	15.59		16.91		14.79		13.55		13.81		16.33		15.32		12.90		12.87		11.79		13.16	
1998	15.78	1.2	17.17	1.5	15.15	2.4	13.76	1.5	14.04	1.7	16.48	0.9	15.49	1.1	13.12	1.7	13.20	2.6	11.94	1.3	13.05	-0.8
1999	16.17	2.5	17.34	1.0	15.76	4.0	14.21	3.3	14.48	3.1	17.00	3.2	15.72	1.5	13.34	1.7	13.45	1.9	12.28	2.8	13.06	0.1
2000	16.66	3.0	17.64	1.7	16.29	3.4	14.73	3.7	14.98	3.5	17.59	3.5	16.07	2.2	14.01	5.0	14.01	4.2	12.63	2.9	13.74	5.2
2001	17.22	3.4	17.98	1.9	17.13	5.2	15.35	4.2	15.34	2.4	18.17	3.3	16.63	3.5	14.20	1.4	14.53	3.7	13.22	4.7	14.32	4.2
2002	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.99	5.0	15.83	3.1	15.72	2.5	18.54	2.0	16.97	2.0	14.45	1.8	14.81	1.9	13.61	3.0	14.88	3.9
2003	18.04	2.2	19.02	2.3	18.13	0.8	16.42	3.7	16.06	2.2	18.88	1.8	17.42	2.7	14.80	2.4	15.42	4.1	14.52	6.7	15.46	3.9
2004	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.54	2.3	16.94	3.2	16.74	4.2	19.43	2.9	17.99	3.3	15.21	2.8	15.79	2.4	15.09	3.9	15.44	-0.1
2005	19.09	3.2	19.36	1.9	19.76	6.6	17.28	2.0	17.17	2.6	20.06	3.2	18.43	2.4	15.63	2.8	16.24	2.8	15.15	0.4	16.09	4.2
2005 Jan	19.02	2.8	19.61	3.0	19.44	5.8	17.06	-0.6	16.60	-0.6	19.97	2.5	18.40	3.3	15.57	1.2	15.99	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.04	2.0
Feb	18.98	2.4	19.52	1.9	19.43	7.2	17.27	-0.4	17.02	1.4	19.83	1.1	18.43	3.7	15.57	1.7	15.93	0.2	16.03	3.4	16.13	3.7
Mar	19.04	2.8	19.24	2.4	19.41	6.2	17.14	-0.4	17.30	2.4	19.99	1.9	18.53	3.7	15.58	2.0	16.19	1.8	15.97	2.7	16.28	2.3
Apr	19.10	3.0	19.32	2.8	19.72	7.8	16.93	-0.5	17.19	1.2	20.11	2.3	18.41	2.9	15.45	0.7	16.34	1.8	15.80	1.8	16.11	0.8
May	18.89	2.4	19.27	3.0	19.53	5.9	17.02	1.6	17.05	1.3	19.78	1.4	18.27	2.1	15.40	2.9	16.12	1.9	15.08	2.4	16.03	3.1
Jun	18.90	2.8	19.19	2.9	19.52	5.8	17.24	2.7	17.17	1.8	19.88	2.6	18.18	1.6	15.53	5.0	16.33	3.8	14.58	-1.2	15.87	3.7
Jul	18.77	3.2	18.87	1.6	19.45	6.5	17.13	2.5	16.96	2.0	19.81	3.7	18.08	1.7	15.26	2.1	16.02	3.4	14.27	-0.6	15.40	5.0
Aug	18.89	3.7	19.13	2.2	19.57	6.0	17.12	3.0	17.10	3.3	19.92	4.6	18.15	1.6	15.42	3.6	16.05	3.7	14.30	-1.4	15.89	7.4
Sep	19.30	3.8	19.52	1.6	20.08	7.0	17.54	3.6	17.40	4.2	20.34	4.6	18.47	1.6	15.91	4.7	16.46	3.7	14.61	-1.7	16.44	7.6
Oct	19.33	3.9	19.48	0.6	20.17	6.4	17.57	3.5	17.28	3.0	20.29	4.9	18.70	2.6	15.80	1.9	16.50	4.6	14.91	-1.5	16.23	4.3
Nov	19.45	3.9	19.69	1.3	20.32	6.7	17.60	4.0	17.39	4.5	20.37	4.6	18.82	2.6	15.95	2.8	16.46	4.0	15.36	-1.3	16.51	5.5
Dec	19.45	3.8	19.54	0.6	20.42	7.4	17.77	5.3	17.59	6.0	20.38	4.4	18.76	2.1	16.15	4.4	16.45	4.4	15.48	-0.5	16.38	4.8
2006 Jan	19.66	3.4	19.86	1.3	20.87	7.4	18.09	6.0	17.49	5.4	20.55	2.9	18.88	2.6	16.18	3.9	16.71	4.5	15.47	-2.8	16.96	5.7
Feb	19.61	3.3	19.81	1.5	20.61	6.1	18.12	4.9	17.34	1.9	20.58	3.8	18.77	1.8	16.24	4.3	16.74	5.1	15.61	-2.6	17.24	6.9
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Jan-Feb05	19.00		19.57		19.44		17.17		16.81		19.90		18.42		15.57		15.96		15.98		16.09	
Jan-Feb06	19.64		19.84		20.74		18.11		17.42		20.57		18.83		16.21		16.73		15.54		17.10	
% Change	3.3		1.4		6.7		5.5		3.6		3.3		2.2		4.1		4.8		-2.7		6.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1996	13,421.4		1,816.4		1,405.1		456.8		517.4		5,167.1		3,129.8		305.5		376.9		58.9		187.5	
1997	13,706.0	2.1	1,860.5	2.4	1,451.4	3.3	466.2	2.1	525.6	1.6	5,291.4	2.4	3,172.8	1.4	309.1	1.2	382.0	1.4	58.8	-0.2	188.3	0.4
1998	14,046.2	2.5	1,858.4	-0.1	1,509.9	4.0	470.5	0.9	534.2	1.6	5,453.3	3.1	3,257.5	2.7	315.2	2.0	395.3	3.5	59.6	1.4	192.4	2.2
1999	14,406.7	2.6	1,894.4	1.9	1,544.0	2.3	471.6	0.2	541.4	1.3	5,636.7	3.4	3,328.1	2.2	325.5	3.3	404.0	2.2	60.2	1.0	201.0	4.5
2000	14,764.2	2.5	1,931.3	1.9	1,584.0	2.6	473.5	0.4	552.3	2.0	5,817.1	3.2	3,402.8	2.2	331.2	1.8	411.4	1.8	62.7	4.2	198.0	-1.5
2001	14,946.2	1.2	1,921.6	-0.5	1,630.9	3.0	460.3	-2.8	554.3	0.4	5,926.2	1.9	3,440.2	1.1	330.1	-0.3	415.2	0.9	63.6	1.4	203.8	2.9
2002	15,310.4	2.4	1,965.0	2.3	1,670.8	2.4	468.3	1.7	567.2	2.3	6,031.4	1.8	3,569.9	3.8	343.1	3.9	422.9	1.9	64.7	1.7	207.2	1.7
2003	15,672.3	2.4	2,014.7	2.5	1,716.7	2.7	476.1	1.7	570.3	0.5	6,213.2	3.0	3,628.8	1.6	343.1	0.0	431.2	2.0	66.1	2.2	212.3	2.5
2004	15,947.0	1.8	2,062.7	2.4	1,757.5	2.4	479.7	0.8	576.6	1.1	6,316.5	1.7	3,680.5	1.4	350.1	2.0	442.2	2.6	66.9	1.2	214.3	0.9
2005	16,169.7	1.4	2,130.5	3.3	1,784.4	1.5	483.5	0.8	580.3	0.6	6,397.7	1.3	3,717.3	1.0	350.5	0.1	443.1	0.2	68.2	1.9	214.1	-0.1
2005 Jan	15,678.1	1.3	2,058.0	2.5	1,740.5	1.8	473.4	2.2	567.9	0.9	6,217.0	0.5	3,599.5	1.9	332.9	1.0	426.8	2.2	62.8	4.0	199.3	0.6
Feb	15,769.2	1.5	2,069.8	3.7	1,748.6	1.6	476.3	2.5	573.6	1.7	6,259.3	0.7	3,622.4	1.5	333.6	0.9	425.3	1.3	63.3	4.3	197.2	-0.6
Mar	15,779.8	1.4	2,080.6	3.2	1,755.7	1.6	479.6	3.1	569.6	0.4	6,247.3	1.0	3,620.5	0.9	333.6	0.3	427.6	0.7	63.7	4.3	201.5	0.6
Apr	15,886.3	1.2	2,092.4	3.9	1,754.0	1.0	476.3	0.8	570.6	-0.1	6,312.6	1.2	3,645.9	0.1	336.6	1.6	434.3	1.0	63.5	3.9	200.1	-0.3
May	16,277.0	1.4	2,138.3	3.9	1,800.7	1.9	495.0	1.7	587.0	0.5	6,458.2	1.7	3,698.3	-0.6	359.9	2.1	454.3	1.3	70.6	2.5	214.6	-1.6
Jun	16,489.5	1.0	2,159.2	2.1	1,813.8	1.2	498.0	1.1	589.4	0.4	6,505.1	1.2	3,796.3	0.7	364.0	-0.8	457.7	-0.6	73.3	1.9	232.6	0.0
Jul	16,529.0	1.2	2,161.4	2.6	1,814.9	2.0	497.3	1.7	589.0	1.6	6,486.1	0.9	3,837.8	1.2	368.3	-0.4	458.3	-1.2	73.9	1.7	242.0	-1.1
Aug	16,508.5	1.5	2,166.7	3.5	1,811.9	1.3	492.3	0.6	587.0	0.7	6,507.5	1.4	3,814.1	1.6	367.7	-1.0	460.9	0.5	73.9	1.0	226.3	-1.9
Sep	16,264.6	1.3	2,142.7	2.7	1,786.4	0.7	480.2	-0.5	581.8	0.3	6,419.5	1.7	3,761.0	0.9	357.0	-1.6	443.4	-1.4	70.9	0.7	221.6	1.0
Oct	16,331.4	1.6	2,160.9	3.3	1,791.5	1.8	479.9	-1.2	582.9	0.1	6,473.4	1.8	3,759.0	1.1	351.2	-1.4	447.1	-0.1	69.7	0.3	215.9	1.0
Nov	16,295.1	1.7	2,168.0	4.5	1,796.6	1.7	479.1	-1.0	583.4	0.6	6,459.9	1.8	3,734.3	1.1	351.7	0.3	441.0	-0.6	67.2	-0.3	214.0	3.2
Dec	16,228.1	1.6	2,168.6	3.6	1,798.6	1.9	474.5	-1.3	581.9	0.5	6,427.1	1.4	3,718.2	1.7	349.9	0.9	439.8	-0.5	65.9	0.0	203.5	-2.1
2006 Jan	15,949.1	1.7	2,122.5	3.1	1,780.2	2.3	470.8	-0.5	574.1	1.1	6,337.6	1.9	3,639.1	1.1	342.9	3.0	425.0	-0.4	63.0	0.3	193.9	-2.7
Feb	16,041.7	1.7	2,141.7	3.5	1,812.8	3.7	471.9	-0.9	577.6	0.7	6,340.6	1.3	3,667.5	1.2	342.4	2.6	423.7	-0.4	63.6	0.5	199.9	1.4
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Jan-Feb05	15,723.7		2,063.9		1,744.6		474.9		570.8		6,238.2		3,611.0		333.3		426.1		63.1		198.3	
Jan-Feb06	15,995.4		2,132.1		1,796.5		471.4		575.9		6,339.1		3,653.3		342.7		424.4		63.3		196.9	
% Change	1.7		3.3		3.0		-0.7		0.9		1.6		1.2		2.8		-0.4		0.4		-0.7	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1996	34.2		33.2		35.8		35.9		34.3		34.4		33.4		35.0		34.0		35.4		33.8	
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.8	0.0	35.7	-0.6	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.6	35.2	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.1	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.2	2.2	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.7	0.3	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.4	1.1	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.0	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.4	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.1	-0.8	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.7	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.3	0.0	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.0	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	33.0	-2.7	33.4	0.3
2005	33.5	0.6	32.6	0.9	35.5	1.7	34.4	1.8	33.4	0.3	33.8	0.3	32.5	0.6	34.2	1.2	33.1	3.1	33.8	2.4	34.1	2.1
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.8	1.2	35.3	-1.7	32.8	-3.2	33.6	-0.3	34.1	-0.9	32.7	-0.3	34.8	2.4	33.4	3.4	32.9	2.5	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.8	1.2	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.2	-1.2	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.1	1.8	33.3	24.7	32.5	20.8	34.0	3.0
Mar	33.1	0.6	33.8	7.3	35.8	-0.3	34.4	0.3	33.6	-1.8	32.0	-0.9	33.0	0.0	33.8	-1.7	31.5	3.3	32.1	7.0	33.0	-1.2
Apr	34.6	8.1	34.0	9.0	35.9	8.1	35.8	10.8	34.6	4.2	35.0	5.7	33.7	12.3	33.6	3.1	34.1	8.6	33.5	7.4	33.7	18.2
May	34.7	-0.6	33.8	1.2	36.0	-0.3	37.1	0.3	35.1	2.0	35.0	-1.4	33.5	-1.2	35.0	-0.6	34.9	-1.4	36.1	-4.5	35.5	1.1
Jun	35.0	0.3	33.8	-0.3	36.4	0.8	36.3	0.0	34.9	-1.1	35.3	0.0	34.0	0.6	35.8	1.1	35.1	0.6	36.4	-2.4	37.3	2.5
Jul	32.1	0.3	31.8	-0.9	34.6	1.2	33.4	2.8	32.2	-0.3	32.3	0.6	30.2	-0.3	33.6	3.1	32.5	1.2	34.3	1.8	34.5	-0.6
Aug	32.0	0.0	30.9	-0.3	34.2	0.9	33.4	1.8	32.4	2.2	32.5	0.3	30.3	-1.3	33.4	2.1	31.7	0.6	34.1	3.0	32.2	0.9
Sep	34.8	-0.3	33.5	-1.8	36.8	0.5	36.5	2.5	35.5	2.3	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-0.9	36.7	2.2	34.3	-1.4	35.9	0.0	35.8	1.7
Oct	30.8	0.3	29.4	-2.6	34.0	3.0	33.3	2.5	30.7	-1.6	30.8	0.7	29.5	0.0	32.2	0.3	30.7	0.0	31.9	1.9	32.5	0.6
Nov	32.9	0.3	30.4	-0.7	34.2	3.3	32.1	3.2	30.6	0.3	33.9	-0.6	33.0	0.3	31.7	-0.6	30.8	1.7	30.7	-1.0	32.2	1.6
Dec	34.6	0.0	33.7	0.0	36.9	0.8	34.8	0.3	34.2	-1.2	34.9	-0.3	33.5	-0.3	35.1	-0.3	34.5	-0.3	34.0	0.9	35.0	0.3
2006 Jan	34.3	1.8	33.8	3.0	36.7	4.0	34.3	4.6	33.5	-0.3	34.5	1.2	33.1	1.2	34.5	-0.9	33.6	0.6	33.1	0.6	33.9	0.9
Feb	33.7	-0.3	33.2	-1.8	35.8	0.8	31.9	-3.0	33.3	0.3	34.2	0.0	32.6	-0.3	34.0	-0.3	33.0	-0.9	33.1	1.8	34.2	0.6
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Jan-Feb05	33.8		33.3		35.4		32.9		33.4		34.2		32.7		34.5		33.4		32.7		33.8	
Jan-Feb06	34.0		33.5		36.3		33.1		33.4		34.4		32.9		34.3		33.3		33.1		34.1	
% Change	0.7		0.6		2.4		0.8		0.0		0.6		0.5		-0.6		-0.1		1.2		0.7	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.1 **B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

	Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
	Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1996									377.6		1,194.9		36.3		32.3	
1997	731.93		579.76		18.51		16.47		417.3	10.5	1,443.2	20.8	36.3	0.0	32.0	-0.9
1998	754.02	3.0	584.04	0.7	18.99	2.6	16.66	1.2	408.5	-2.1	1,449.9	0.5	36.0	-0.8	31.5	-1.6
1999	763.14	1.2	594.48	1.8	19.20	1.1	16.86	1.2	393.8	-3.6	1,500.5	3.5	36.2	0.6	31.5	0.0
2000	764.48	0.2	607.09	2.1	19.26	0.3	17.23	2.2	406.3	3.2	1,525.0	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
2001	780.91	2.1	616.03	1.5	19.60	1.8	17.59	2.1	382.3	-5.9	1,539.3	0.9	36.3	-1.6	31.2	-3.4
2002	787.66	0.9	638.67	3.7	19.91	1.6	18.27	3.9	392.2	2.6	1,572.8	2.2	35.8	-1.4	31.0	-0.6
2003	809.71	2.8	651.68	2.0	20.47	2.8	18.66	2.1	416.4	6.2	1,598.3	1.6	35.6	-0.6	30.8	-0.6
2004	793.81	-2.0	658.93	1.1	19.94	-2.6	18.74	0.4	436.9	4.9	1,625.8	1.7	36.3	2.0	31.2	1.3
2005	807.50	1.7	678.52	3.0	20.20	1.3	19.15	2.2	452.7	3.6	1,677.8	3.2	36.7	1.1	31.5	1.0
2005 Jan	814.25	0.9	681.60	5.2	20.64	0.6	19.35	3.5	438.7	7.7	1,619.3	1.1	35.5	0.9	32.1	1.3
Feb	802.07	0.6	680.21	3.4	20.22	0.4	19.34	2.3	441.7	9.0	1,628.1	2.3	37.8	1.1	32.8	1.5
Mar	802.27	3.5	671.79	2.7	20.10	2.6	19.03	2.4	434.5	6.1	1,646.1	2.5	38.1	5.8	32.7	7.6
Apr	817.72	5.0	671.06	3.2	20.37	3.3	19.06	2.7	443.3	6.1	1,649.1	3.4	38.7	9.9	32.8	9.0
May	816.80	6.2	669.99	3.2	20.40	5.0	18.99	2.5	451.2	4.1	1,687.1	3.8	38.1	1.9	32.7	0.9
Jun	810.45	4.2	672.70	3.2	20.16	4.8	18.94	2.4	465.1	1.8	1,694.1	2.2	38.1	-1.3	32.6	0.0
Jul	796.14	1.0	671.86	3.2	19.65	0.4	18.66	2.0	486.2	3.9	1,675.2	2.2	36.8	0.0	30.3	-1.3
Aug	786.99	0.2	680.54	3.0	19.68	1.0	18.98	2.5	475.2	1.5	1,691.5	4.1	35.9	-0.6	29.5	-0.3
Sep	804.71	-1.2	686.37	2.8	20.06	-1.3	19.39	2.5	449.1	0.3	1,693.6	3.4	38.3	-0.3	32.3	-2.1
Oct	802.39	-1.3	682.91	1.1	20.07	-1.7	19.33	1.4	451.8	-0.8	1,709.1	4.5	33.2	-0.6	28.4	-3.1
Nov	829.00	1.4	690.78	3.1	20.68	0.9	19.44	1.5	452.1	3.3	1,715.9	4.8	33.6	-1.5	29.6	0.0
Dec	809.90	0.9	682.06	1.7	20.43	-0.4	19.33	0.8	443.8	2.0	1,724.9	4.0	37.1	-0.5	32.8	0.0
2006 Jan	835.07	2.6	693.64	1.8	20.96	1.6	19.60	1.3	421.5	-3.9	1,701.1	5.1	37.1	4.5	33.0	2.8
Feb	828.76	3.3	690.29	1.5	20.93	3.5	19.55	1.1	442.5	0.2	1,699.2	4.4	36.5	-3.4	32.4	-1.2
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Average:																
Jan-Feb05	808.16		680.91		20.43		19.35		440.2		1,623.7		36.7		32.5	
Jan-Feb06	831.92		691.97		20.95		19.58		432.0		1,700.2		36.8		32.7	
% Change	2.9		1.6		2.5		1.2		-1.9		4.7		0.4		0.8	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996												
1997	731.93		419.45		894.10		891.22		734.88		683.80	
1998	754.02	3.0	448.71	7.0	899.86	0.6	965.38	8.3	748.01	1.8	728.54	6.5
1999	763.14	1.2	518.47	15.5	943.23	4.8	919.16	-4.8	756.61	1.1	706.60	-3.0
2000	764.48	0.2	443.18	-14.5	945.49	0.2	952.59	3.6	750.08	-0.9	737.24	4.3
2001	780.91	2.1	463.69	4.6	974.68	3.1	945.04	-0.8	762.88	1.7	786.23	6.6
2002	787.66	0.9	458.57	-1.1	953.33	-2.2	980.51	3.8	784.68	2.9	778.14	-1.0
2003	809.71	2.8	479.92	4.7	968.26	1.6	1079.10	10.1	807.45	2.9	779.83	0.2
2004	793.81	-2.0	494.54	3.0	1019.25	5.3	998.53	-7.5	791.22	-2.0	784.30	0.6
2005	807.50	1.7	506.64	2.4	1047.49	2.8	1056.01	5.8	803.36	1.5	778.92	-0.7
2005 Jan	814.25	0.9	609.90	31.6	1010.20	4.0	935.26	-11.3	800.54	0.1	807.38	1.3
Feb	802.07	0.6	518.67	0.7	977.23	0.7	925.86	-17.5	794.70	0.9	804.70	1.7
Mar	802.27	3.5	549.37	11.2	1025.39	-0.3	962.49	-11.3	776.50	3.5	820.90	3.5
Apr	817.72	5.0	491.26	-1.6	1038.44	5.2	1107.72	15.3	796.33	2.4	829.54	4.8
May	816.80	6.2	455.50	-8.2	1046.63	6.1	1189.24	17.2	802.36	3.5	790.51	6.1
Jun	810.45	4.2	482.83	-7.2	1004.93	2.4	1073.73	12.6	820.27	5.9	764.82	-1.1
Jul	796.14	1.0	520.80	3.2	1029.46	1.8	1095.99	15.1	798.77	-0.2	758.23	0.5
Aug	786.99	0.2	507.95	-1.3	956.76	-6.7	1131.70	10.7	805.60	3.5	744.46	-3.8
Sep	804.71	-1.2	477.14	1.1	1055.95	-1.8	1107.27	0.5	803.93	-0.5	762.24	-5.5
Oct	802.39	-1.3	481.68	6.4	1118.11	-0.3	1073.63	17.7	800.07	-2.0	743.37	-6.2
Nov	829.00	1.4	515.67	10.7	1168.61	14.8	1026.99	22.8	822.51	-0.2	783.19	-3.7
Dec	809.90	0.9	488.40	-4.2	1177.80	13.7	896.76	-2.7	818.74	2.0	756.33	-2.9
2006 Jan	835.07	2.6	507.45	-16.8	1083.22	7.2	1020.34	9.1	843.14	5.3	791.43	-2.0
Feb	828.76	3.3	502.71	-3.1	1082.06	10.7	933.63	0.8	827.25	4.1	814.44	1.2
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Average:												
Jan-Feb05	808.16		564.29		993.72		930.56		797.62		806.04	
Jan-Feb06	831.92		505.08		1082.64		976.99		835.20		802.94	
% Change	2.9		-10.5		8.9		5.0		4.7		-0.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996																				
1997	579.76		700.83		489.26		590.49		733.47		738.41		604.89		315.46		787.32		612.63	
1998	584.04	0.7	720.07	2.7	481.79	-1.5	631.81	7.0	750.34	2.3	725.43	-1.8	614.73	1.6	328.88	4.3	767.01	-2.6	621.21	1.4
1999	594.48	1.8	733.87	1.9	503.61	4.5	627.82	-0.6	776.25	3.5	738.95	1.9	624.62	1.6	318.75	-3.1	791.92	3.2	628.82	1.2
2000	607.09	2.1	730.56	-0.5	489.95	-2.7	677.15	7.9	778.28	0.3	766.76	3.8	635.84	1.8	338.07	6.1	813.88	2.8	639.37	1.7
2001	616.03	1.5	770.96	5.5	488.29	-0.3	682.44	0.8	808.78	3.9	745.10	-2.8	660.53	3.9	344.40	1.9	825.90	1.5	648.19	1.4
2002	638.67	3.7	801.51	4.0	502.66	2.9	732.43	7.3	850.34	5.1	776.52	4.2	688.72	4.3	334.46	-2.9	889.68	7.7	668.04	3.1
2003	651.68	2.0	803.93	0.3	522.83	4.0	728.90	-0.5	859.44	1.1	791.53	1.9	707.75	2.8	350.03	4.7	906.69	1.9	683.68	2.3
2004	658.93	1.1	788.53	-1.9	521.95	-0.2	721.30	-1.0	841.32	-2.1	825.68	4.3	732.99	3.6	362.56	3.6	911.87	0.6	686.74	0.4
2005	678.52	3.0	838.68	6.4	522.12	0.0	732.85	1.6	930.40	10.6	852.02	3.2	727.40	-0.8	385.89	6.4	952.45	4.5	704.49	2.6
2005 Jan	681.60	5.2	852.21	15.1	517.83	4.1	746.37	2.8	891.40	1.8	844.27	12.9	750.98	2.2	386.59	46.1	966.37	2.9	708.11	4.4
Feb	680.21	3.4	812.39	8.2	520.37	-1.2	726.95	-2.6	916.04	10.2	824.99	1.5	747.17	-2.1	390.16	47.7	961.56	5.0	704.75	2.8
Mar	671.79	2.7	817.79	12.5	512.43	-2.6	739.28	-4.6	924.74	9.8	825.58	4.4	720.04	-3.9	367.26	38.2	964.13	8.6	697.93	2.9
Apr	671.06	3.2	807.20	9.2	530.21	1.7	706.98	-4.7	962.01	17.2	832.61	6.5	722.32	-3.6	366.83	40.5	940.15	4.7	700.18	3.5
May	669.99	3.2	820.52	11.9	512.41	1.3	708.38	-5.3	945.56	10.9	850.19	6.2	713.16	-4.7	374.31	36.3	903.96	1.8	699.26	3.7
Jun	672.70	3.2	861.27	12.6	512.76	-3.2	733.42	1.7	899.39	13.4	861.00	4.0	718.84	-0.1	385.24	41.1	929.94	4.3	701.03	3.4
Jul	671.86	3.2	857.03	7.8	516.48	-2.3	714.52	0.1	920.22	14.4	829.92	-6.7	721.87	2.3	396.56	50.3	909.15	2.7	698.58	2.6
Aug	680.54	3.0	833.37	1.5	523.72	0.0	707.78	1.5	941.05	13.9	911.82	-2.1	721.27	1.4	403.44	48.9	943.48	5.1	703.02	2.2
Sep	686.37	2.8	850.18	1.0	544.43	3.6	732.03	6.4	944.09	9.5	841.11	-2.0	729.18	5.0	400.61	47.9	974.86	6.3	709.61	1.6
Oct	682.91	1.1	860.07	-1.6	521.82	-2.5	763.42	11.6	942.04	7.1	870.77	4.1	724.24	-2.1	403.72	52.3	978.94	3.8	706.73	0.3
Nov	690.78	3.1	828.84	-2.0	524.61	-0.6	768.26	10.5	951.24	14.1	882.06	7.0	739.21	0.0	384.09	47.1	979.43	5.3	717.99	2.5
Dec	682.06	1.7	856.03	3.1	526.49	1.9	756.06	4.5	927.60	7.3	861.36	2.0	718.29	-4.0	369.59	41.3	987.13	3.6	706.56	1.4
2006 Jan	693.64	1.8	866.24	1.6	553.17	6.8	788.44	5.6	903.99	1.4	837.86	-0.8	735.18	-2.1	370.93	-4.1	961.52	-0.5	720.31	1.7
Feb	690.29	1.5	850.67	4.7	565.29	8.6	749.20	3.1	924.97	1.0	851.84	3.3	728.34	-2.5	352.16	-9.7	982.29	2.2	716.86	1.7
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Average:																				
Jan-Feb05	680.91		832.30		519.10		736.66		903.72		834.63		749.08		388.38		963.97		706.43	
Jan-Feb06	691.97		858.46		559.23		768.82		914.48		844.85		731.76		361.55		971.91		718.59	
% Change	1.6		3.1		7.7		4.4		1.2		1.2		-2.3		-6.9		0.8		1.7	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996	18.51		11.50		21.43		23.55		18.50		17.80	
1997	18.99	2.6	12.04	4.7	21.23	-0.9	25.21	7.0	18.94	2.4	18.62	4.6
1998	19.20	1.1	13.72	14.0	21.93	3.3	24.16	-4.2	19.14	1.1	18.23	-2.1
1999	19.26	0.3	11.38	-17.1	22.71	3.6	24.75	2.4	18.95	-1.0	18.93	3.8
2000	19.60	1.8	11.92	4.7	22.80	0.4	24.76	0.0	19.29	1.8	19.89	5.1
2001	19.91	1.6	11.83	-0.8	22.32	-2.1	25.92	4.7	19.88	3.1	20.02	0.7
2002	20.47	2.8	12.77	7.9	23.20	3.9	28.13	8.5	20.47	3.0	19.91	-0.5
2003	19.94	-2.6	12.61	-1.3	24.00	3.4	25.81	-8.2	20.01	-2.2	19.78	-0.7
2004	20.20	1.3	12.69	0.6	24.19	0.8	27.57	6.8	20.31	1.5	19.57	-1.1
2005												
2005 Jan	20.64	0.6	15.28	6.1	23.97	0.2	25.02	-9.6	20.20	0.0	21.06	3.6
Feb	20.22	0.4	13.05	-0.5	23.24	1.6	24.49	-18.8	20.21	1.1	20.31	1.4
Mar	20.10	2.6	13.12	-0.8	24.35	4.6	25.48	-10.4	19.79	2.4	20.33	3.3
Apr	20.37	3.3	12.26	-3.8	24.42	0.0	28.77	14.8	20.15	1.8	20.44	3.5
May	20.40	5.0	11.53	-5.6	24.13	-0.9	30.91	17.1	20.36	4.0	19.71	3.9
Jun	20.16	4.8	12.01	-2.2	23.13	-0.7	27.78	15.5	20.61	6.2	19.21	0.7
Jul	19.65	0.4	12.93	9.6	23.30	-2.3	28.26	16.3	19.98	0.3	18.73	-2.4
Aug	19.68	1.0	12.00	-0.8	22.82	-1.8	29.45	18.2	20.23	2.9	18.84	-3.1
Sep	20.06	-1.3	12.36	-1.0	24.39	-0.1	28.47	9.2	20.23	-1.7	19.05	-4.8
Oct	20.07	-1.7	12.24	0.2	25.04	-3.0	28.16	18.1	20.33	-1.4	18.77	-6.6
Nov	20.68	0.9	13.09	1.8	25.68	7.4	26.65	16.7	20.85	1.1	19.70	-4.1
Dec	20.43	-0.4	13.40	-1.6	26.72	8.4	24.12	-4.7	20.84	1.7	19.22	-5.3
2006 Jan	20.96	1.6	13.38	-12.4	24.48	2.1	27.40	9.5	21.43	6.1	19.94	-5.3
Feb	20.93	3.5	14.22	9.0	25.13	8.1	25.33	3.4	21.14	4.6	20.27	-0.2
Mar												
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Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Feb05	20.43		14.17		23.61		24.76		20.21		20.69	
Jan-Feb06	20.95		13.80		24.81		26.37		21.29		20.11	
% Change	2.5		-2.6		5.1		6.5		5.3		-2.8	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.			
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996	16.47		18.21		13.56		16.15		19.12		22.51		18.51		10.11		21.20		16.91	
1997	16.66	1.2	18.67	2.5	13.58	0.1	17.27	6.9	19.63	2.7	22.20	-1.4	18.78	1.5	10.42	3.1	20.94	-1.2	17.17	1.5
1998	16.86	1.2	19.03	1.9	14.09	3.8	17.15	-0.7	20.47	4.3	22.02	-0.8	18.98	1.1	10.29	-1.2	21.56	3.0	17.34	1.0
1999	17.23	2.2	18.70	-1.7	13.95	-1.0	18.41	7.3	20.36	-0.5	23.05	4.7	19.29	1.6	10.81	5.1	21.88	1.5	17.64	1.7
2000	17.59	2.1	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.1	18.62	1.1	21.42	5.2	22.71	-1.5	20.17	4.6	10.95	1.3	22.56	3.1	17.98	1.9
2001	18.27	3.9	20.38	1.6	14.45	3.5	19.92	7.0	22.52	5.1	23.66	4.2	21.03	4.3	11.09	1.3	23.93	6.1	18.59	3.4
2002	18.66	2.1	20.43	0.2	14.93	3.3	19.78	-0.7	22.71	0.8	24.27	2.6	21.91	4.2	11.28	1.7	24.40	2.0	19.02	2.3
2003	18.74	0.4	19.95	-2.3	14.94	0.1	19.80	0.1	22.11	-2.6	25.04	3.2	22.04	0.6	11.57	2.6	24.81	1.7	18.99	-0.2
2004	19.15	2.2	21.16	6.1	14.97	0.2	19.89	0.5	24.30	9.9	25.21	0.7	21.87	-0.8	12.00	3.7	25.88	4.3	19.36	1.9
2005																				
2005 Jan	19.35	3.5	21.43	11.3	15.09	3.4	20.88	5.8	23.43	2.3	25.17	8.0	22.37	-0.3	11.80	1.4	26.20	3.1	19.61	3.0
Feb	19.34	2.3	20.47	5.2	14.99	-3.1	19.98	-2.1	24.07	10.7	25.06	1.5	22.45	-1.0	11.93	4.0	26.26	6.2	19.52	1.9
Mar	19.03	2.4	20.59	10.2	14.91	-0.9	20.06	-3.7	24.32	10.6	24.28	0.5	21.83	-1.8	11.77	2.3	26.04	7.9	19.24	2.4
Apr	19.06	2.7	21.01	9.5	15.13	0.4	19.38	-5.8	24.69	12.8	24.99	4.4	21.54	-2.2	11.74	2.2	25.73	5.1	19.32	2.8
May	18.99	2.5	21.08	9.1	14.73	1.4	19.04	-4.5	24.62	7.6	25.68	4.7	21.29	-4.0	11.82	2.4	25.06	3.3	19.27	3.0
Jun	18.94	2.4	21.43	8.3	14.72	-1.8	19.56	-1.2	23.67	11.7	25.45	1.6	21.59	0.8	11.84	0.9	25.23	3.0	19.19	2.9
Jul	18.66	2.0	21.46	9.2	14.61	-1.7	19.05	-1.6	23.55	11.2	24.52	-2.9	21.31	-0.4	11.90	2.5	24.68	2.3	18.87	1.6
Aug	18.98	2.5	21.09	6.4	14.83	1.0	19.00	-1.2	24.49	11.6	26.32	-0.5	21.91	1.3	12.02	3.4	25.53	4.7	19.13	2.2
Sep	19.39	2.5	21.35	2.9	15.30	3.4	20.02	4.8	24.68	11.3	25.29	-1.7	22.03	2.3	12.42	5.9	26.59	5.3	19.52	1.6
Oct	19.33	1.4	21.40	0.8	15.04	-1.1	20.94	9.2	24.92	11.2	25.34	-1.9	21.90	-0.5	12.46	7.2	26.39	3.3	19.48	0.6
Nov	19.44	1.5	20.94	-0.3	15.03	-0.3	20.66	6.4	24.86	12.9	25.40	-2.8	22.14	-1.2	12.44	7.1	26.49	4.7	19.69	1.3
Dec	19.33	0.8	21.51	0.2	15.22	1.5	20.50	2.1	24.35	7.2	25.10	-2.4	21.95	-3.1	11.92	5.7	26.58	3.5	19.54	0.6
2006 Jan	19.60	1.3	21.79	1.7	15.75	4.4	20.97	0.4	23.62	0.8	24.44	-2.9	22.47	0.4	12.06	2.2	25.79	-1.6	19.86	1.3
Feb	19.55	1.1	21.24	3.8	16.07	7.2	20.14	0.8	24.21	0.6	25.83	3.1	21.85	-2.7	11.67	-2.2	26.29	0.1	19.81	1.5
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Average:																			19.57	
Jan-Feb05	19.35		20.95		15.04		20.43		23.75		25.12		22.41		11.87		26.23		19.84	
Jan-Feb06	19.58		21.52		15.91		20.56		23.92		25.14		22.16		11.87		26.04		19.84	
% Change	1.2		2.7		5.8		0.6		0.7		0.1		-1.1		0.0		-0.7		1.4	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

Produced by: BC STATS

3.4A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing						Construction	
													Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1996	408.2		30.7		32.3		5.2		17.6		192.8		23.8		42.9		22.9		119.3	
1997	417.3	2.2	34.0	10.7	32.2	-0.3	5.4	3.8	16.3	-7.4	196.2	1.8	25.1	5.5	44.6	4.0	23.1	0.9	123.1	3.2
1998	408.5	-2.1	33.0	-2.9	30.2	-6.2	3.4	-37.0	17.7	8.6	195.9	-0.2	25.6	2.0	43.4	-2.7	22.7	-1.7	117.2	-4.8
1999	393.8	-3.6	28.1	-14.8	30.0	-0.7	3.8	11.8	14.8	-16.4	191.8	-2.1	21.6	-15.6	42.4	-2.3	22.4	-1.3	114.3	-2.5
2000	406.3	3.2	29.7	5.7	35.5	18.3	4.3	13.2	12.8	-13.5	202.5	5.6	23.4	8.3	45.7	7.8	17.8	-20.5	111.1	-2.8
2001	382.3	-5.9	25.5	-14.1	24.7	-30.4	4.7	9.3	11.3	-11.7	194.9	-3.8	25.6	9.4	48.9	7.0	15.0	-15.7	110.7	-0.4
2002	392.2	2.6	29.0	13.7	25.3	2.4	3.1	-34.0	9.2	-18.6	196.6	0.9	27.0	5.5	43.8	-10.4	17.0	13.3	118.1	6.7
2003	416.4	6.2	32.9	13.4	27.7	9.5	4.6	48.4	13.3	44.6	206.8	5.2	31.7	17.4	49.0	11.9	14.4	-15.3	119.8	1.4
2004	436.9	4.9	36.9	12.2	21.5	-22.4	2.9	-37.0	11.1	-16.5	211.2	2.1	31.4	-0.9	46.9	-4.3	12.0	-16.7	144.0	20.2
2005	452.7	3.6	38.7	4.9	21.6	0.5	2.1	-27.6	13.8	24.3	198.2	-6.2	31.5	0.3	45.8	-2.3	12.3	2.5	168.0	16.7
2005 Jan	438.7	7.7	34.4	10.3	19.2	3.2	n.a.	n.a.	13.8	27.8	203.8	-2.3	38.6	-8.3	39.2	-18.2	12.5	19.0	158.6	28.3
Feb	441.7	9.0	35.2	8.6	22.5	4.2	1.6	-51.5	12.7	13.4	201.6	-3.4	39.7	23.3	42.9	-10.8	12.4	13.8	158.6	32.7
Mar	434.5	6.1	37.5	9.3	19.5	-8.0	n.a.	n.a.	14.3	55.4	195.4	-5.0	37.7	25.2	43.7	-20.1	12.9	37.2	157.1	24.4
Apr	443.3	6.1	40.7	8.2	21.8	16.6	n.a.	n.a.	12.0	39.5	193.1	-7.6	33.7	13.9	41.2	-17.4	13.8	32.7	163.9	25.1
May	451.2	4.1	39.0	-6.0	25.3	29.7	3.1	-13.9	12.4	19.2	196.0	-7.5	35.4	21.2	42.4	-11.1	13.8	-4.2	162.5	19.6
Jun	465.1	1.8	42.8	-0.9	25.4	1.2	4.9	63.3	12.8	20.8	194.3	-8.6	30.1	-2.3	46.0	-0.9	11.0	-24.7	171.5	12.8
Jul	486.2	3.9	49.6	14.8	23.7	-14.1	2.0	-20.0	14.4	42.6	205.9	-6.5	35.6	42.4	50.1	-0.4	12.5	-8.1	177.5	14.4
Aug	475.2	1.5	45.3	5.6	23.8	3.9	1.7	-55.3	14.6	36.4	199.7	-9.4	30.5	3.4	49.5	9.3	12.7	6.7	178.8	13.5
Sep	449.1	0.3	37.9	7.1	21.6	-1.8	1.7	-34.6	13.7	23.4	197.7	-7.8	25.2	-7.7	47.0	4.4	9.6	-16.5	166.2	8.2
Oct	451.8	-0.8	37.3	-0.8	22.1	3.3	3.2	33.3	14.3	10.9	194.1	-7.8	25.4	-23.0	51.7	22.2	9.9	-22.0	171.1	5.4
Nov	452.1	3.3	30.5	-1.6	16.7	-16.1	1.6	n.a.	15.6	18.2	206.7	-0.8	22.6	-36.3	48.1	15.1	13.2	20.0	172.9	10.5
Dec	443.8	2.0	34.6	4.5	17.8	-9.6	2.5	n.a.	15.0	1.4	189.5	-7.1	23.4	-29.7	47.6	10.2	13.0	0.0	177.1	14.6
2006 Jan	421.5	-3.9	29.1	-15.4	16.1	-16.1	3.5	n.a.	17.3	25.4	184.9	-9.3	20.8	-46.1	45.6	16.3	12.2	-2.4	161.9	2.1
Feb	442.5	0.2	31.4	-10.8	18.8	-16.4	3.5	118.8	15.4	21.3	200.0	-0.8	27.4	-31.0	46.0	7.2	12.8	3.2	165.5	4.4
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Jan-Feb05	440.2		34.8		20.9		n.a.		13.3		202.7		39.2		41.1		12.5		158.6	
Jan-Feb06	432.0		30.3		17.5		3.5		16.4		192.5		24.1		45.8		12.5		163.7	
% Change	-1.9		-13.1		-16.3		n.a.		23.4		-5.1		-38.4		11.6		0.4		3.2	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1996	1,408.2		100.3		291.2		124.0		786.6		118.4		183.3		140.8		106.1		1,816.4	
1997	1,443.2	2.5	108.0	7.7	297.7	2.2	127.7	3.0	809.1	2.9	120.3	1.6	191.3	4.4	142.2	1.0	100.7	-5.1	1,860.5	2.4
1998	1,449.9	0.5	105.6	-2.2	289.7	-2.7	122.3	-4.2	838.5	3.6	118.3	-1.7	197.4	3.2	146.8	3.2	93.8	-6.9	1,858.4	-0.1
1999	1,500.5	3.5	115.9	9.8	304.8	5.2	121.0	-1.1	866.3	3.3	127.3	7.6	193.3	-2.1	149.1	1.6	92.5	-1.4	1,894.4	1.9
2000	1,525.0	1.6	116.9	0.9	300.8	-1.3	118.3	-2.2	896.5	3.5	136.6	7.3	201.2	4.1	154.5	3.6	92.4	-0.1	1,931.3	1.9
2001	1,539.3	0.9	112.4	-3.8	303.3	0.8	120.9	2.2	913.1	1.9	138.3	1.2	196.8	-2.2	163.7	6.0	89.5	-3.1	1,921.6	-0.5
2002	1,572.8	2.2	112.9	0.4	324.9	7.1	123.3	2.0	923.6	1.1	139.3	0.7	211.6	7.5	162.5	-0.7	88.1	-1.6	1,965.0	2.3
2003	1,598.3	1.6	119.6	5.9	327.8	0.9	124.5	1.0	933.3	1.1	140.1	0.6	213.3	0.8	159.4	-1.9	93.0	5.6	2,014.7	2.5
2004	1,625.8	1.7	116.5	-2.6	315.8	-3.7	129.2	3.8	967.1	3.6	135.9	-3.0	219.2	2.8	175.3	10.0	97.2	4.5	2,062.7	2.4
2005	1,677.8	3.2	118.7	1.9	334.6	6.0	132.9	2.9	996.5	3.0	146.1	7.5	217.4	-0.8	175.8	0.3	95.1	-2.2	2,130.5	3.3
2005 Jan	1,619.3	1.1	112.2	-5.1	319.5	-3.6	128.3	1.4	968.6	4.0	145.0	0.6	220.4	2.8	168.9	7.8	90.7	-3.7	2,058.0	2.5
Feb	1,628.1	2.3	109.9	-3.9	315.6	0.9	130.9	5.6	980.2	3.8	153.8	4.9	218.9	4.8	163.0	-2.6	91.5	-5.1	2,069.8	3.7
Mar	1,646.1	2.5	112.2	0.1	326.2	1.7	137.3	6.8	977.3	3.4	148.9	8.4	216.4	-0.9	164.8	-3.3	93.2	-6.2	2,080.6	3.2
Apr	1,649.1	3.4	108.2	-6.0	317.2	2.8	131.7	0.5	1,000.6	5.8	154.0	14.0	213.7	-1.0	179.1	2.3	91.5	-3.9	2,092.4	3.9
May	1,687.1	3.8	118.8	2.3	326.2	4.6	134.9	3.8	1,003.2	3.6	153.0	10.4	208.3	-3.6	179.3	3.6	104.0	5.8	2,138.3	3.9
Jun	1,694.1	2.2	118.2	-4.2	318.0	1.9	139.8	9.6	1,019.2	2.5	154.7	11.6	209.7	-6.6	178.9	-2.7	99.1	0.1	2,159.2	2.1
Jul	1,675.2	2.2	129.6	3.6	323.0	1.2	135.6	8.2	990.3	2.0	129.8	15.4	211.9	-3.8	189.8	1.4	96.7	-1.8	2,161.4	2.6
Aug	1,691.5	4.1	126.3	7.1	336.1	8.9	137.0	2.8	990.7	2.8	125.2	18.6	220.2	0.6	182.7	-1.9	101.3	-0.7	2,166.7	3.5
Sep	1,693.6	3.4	128.9	9.5	342.6	9.4	127.4	-1.1	998.6	1.9	148.0	5.1	220.7	-2.9	176.7	0.4	96.1	-2.0	2,142.7	2.7
Oct	1,709.1	4.5	122.7	5.3	362.7	16.4	129.2	-2.0	1,001.4	2.2	140.9	0.3	225.1	2.7	175.0	1.4	93.1	-3.4	2,160.9	3.3
Nov	1,715.9	4.8	121.2	8.6	362.8	15.4	131.9	0.9	1,009.5	2.4	146.4	0.3	225.7	1.9	172.5	-1.8	90.5	-3.8	2,168.0	4.5
Dec	1,724.9	4.0	115.8	5.2	365.5	12.8	131.1	-1.7	1,018.5	2.2	153.2	5.7	218.2	-3.4	178.6	-0.8	93.9	-0.8	2,168.6	3.6
2006 Jan	1,701.1	5.1	122.0	8.7	350.5	9.7	128.0	-0.2	1,006.0	3.9	159.6	10.1	210.6	-4.4	171.1	1.3	94.6	4.3	2,122.5	3.1
Feb	1,699.2	4.4	125.4	14.1	355.6	12.7	129.4	-1.1	998.1	1.8	161.5	5.0	213.2	-2.6	168.8	3.6	90.6	-1.0	2,141.7	3.5
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Jan-Feb05	1,623.7		111.1		317.6		129.6		974.4		149.4		219.7		166.0		91.1		2,063.9	
Jan-Feb06	1,700.2		123.7		353.1		128.7		1,002.1		160.6		211.9		170.0		92.6		2,132.1	
% Change	4.7		11.4		11.2		-0.7		2.8		7.5		-3.5		2.4		1.6		3.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

Produced by: BC STATS

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1996	36.3		38.9		37.7		32.8		36.5		35.1	
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-5.4	38.4	1.9	36.0	9.8	36.2	-0.8	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	1.0	34.2	-5.0	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.0	-3.5	36.7	2.5	34.1	-1.7
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.6	7.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.6	2.4	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.4	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.3
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-6.0	37.8	0.5	33.4	-2.9	36.0	-0.8	35.0	-0.8
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.4	0.3	37.9	0.3	34.4	3.0	35.6	-1.1	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.4	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.6	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2005	36.7	1.1	37.1	0.5	40.6	3.3	35.8	12.6	36.5	1.4	36.2	0.0
2005 Jan	35.5	0.9	32.0	5.6	38.4	-4.2	39.7	15.1	37.6	4.4	32.7	-3.8
Feb	37.8	1.1	33.3	-5.7	41.4	0.2	39.5	10.0	38.0	2.4	37.5	0.0
Mar	38.1	5.8	37.1	12.4	39.9	7.8	36.1	23.2	37.6	5.0	38.5	2.9
Apr	38.7	9.9	38.3	8.5	36.6	15.5	38.1	40.1	38.8	7.8	39.0	10.8
May	38.1	1.9	39.5	0.0	42.8	11.7	38.7	7.2	36.7	0.0	38.1	1.6
Jun	38.1	-1.3	40.4	-0.7	41.7	1.0	34.1	11.4	38.4	2.7	36.6	-7.3
Jul	36.8	0.0	40.2	12.0	43.5	7.1	35.0	8.7	35.4	-1.4	36.2	-3.7
Aug	35.9	-0.6	39.2	-0.8	41.1	-1.2	32.4	2.9	35.0	0.3	35.2	-1.9
Sep	38.3	-0.3	37.3	1.1	43.6	4.3	32.4	-15.2	37.6	-1.3	38.5	0.5
Oct	33.2	-0.6	35.3	-13.3	36.0	-3.7	34.3	37.8	32.0	-1.8	33.3	3.1
Nov	33.6	-1.5	33.3	-8.5	39.5	-0.5	31.9	10.0	32.5	-2.7	33.9	1.2
Dec	37.1	-0.5	35.9	0.3	42.2	8.5	35.8	7.8	38.2	0.0	35.3	-2.2
2006 Jan	37.1	4.5	31.6	-1.3	42.0	9.4	34.2	-13.9	37.6	0.0	36.6	11.9
Feb	36.5	-3.4	30.3	-9.0	37.8	-8.7	35.9	-9.1	36.9	-2.9	36.8	-1.9
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Average:												
Jan-Feb05	36.7		32.7		39.9		39.6		37.8		35.1	
Jan-Feb06	36.8		31.0		39.9		35.1		37.3		36.7	
% Change	0.4		-5.2		0.0		-11.5		-1.5		4.6	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / *Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year*

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.5B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.			
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1996	32.3		35.5		33.1		33.4		36.4		29.8		29.3		29.5		33.2	
1997	32.0	-0.9	36.2	2.0	33.2	0.3	33.8	1.2	35.3	-3.0	29.3	-1.7	29.3	0.0	29.4	-0.3	33.1	-0.3	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.8	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.8	-0.9	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	1.7	27.9	0.0	29.5	3.1	29.8	-2.0	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.8	32.0	0.6	33.9	2.4	35.5	1.1	29.7	6.5	30.6	3.7	29.6	-0.7	34.2	4.0	33.2	2.2
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.5	32.9	-2.9	33.8	-4.8	28.7	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	0.7	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.0
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	0.6	29.0	1.0	29.1	0.7	28.0	-6.0	33.3	5.0	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	0.6	28.1	-3.1	28.0	-3.8	29.0	3.6	32.2	-3.3	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.5	2.0	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	3.2	26.8	-4.6	29.1	3.9	29.3	1.0	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2005	31.5	1.0	36.5	0.0	31.1	0.0	32.9	2.2	35.1	-0.6	28.4	6.0	29.9	2.7	29.4	0.3	32.5	0.6	32.6	0.9
2005 Jan	32.1	1.3	36.2	2.3	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.4	35.4	-2.7	31.8	-2.5	32.4	7.3	30.0	6.8	34.2	2.1	32.8	1.2
Feb	32.8	1.5	37.8	5.3	31.1	0.0	33.9	0.9	37.0	-4.9	31.8	-0.9	30.2	-0.3	30.9	9.2	34.6	-2.0	33.8	1.2
Mar	32.7	7.6	37.4	1.9	31.4	0.0	33.9	4.0	37.6	2.2	31.6	116.4	31.0	7.6	28.3	0.0	34.0	2.7	33.8	7.3
Apr	32.8	9.0	36.3	2.0	32.5	6.9	34.3	11.7	37.4	12.7	33.1	20.4	30.3	9.4	28.5	2.5	35.4	24.6	34.0	9.0
May	32.7	0.9	37.4	-0.5	31.8	1.3	35.1	2.3	35.3	-4.6	32.4	6.9	31.9	2.2	29.0	0.7	32.6	-5.5	33.8	1.2
Jun	32.6	0.0	38.8	-1.8	31.9	-2.1	33.9	2.7	35.9	0.3	33.1	9.2	30.5	2.0	30.2	0.3	32.7	-2.1	33.8	-0.3
Jul	30.3	-1.3	37.4	-1.3	30.5	-3.8	32.1	-3.0	33.4	-3.2	15.6	2.6	29.4	5.8	30.9	2.0	32.0	1.3	31.8	-0.9
Aug	29.5	-0.3	34.9	-3.9	30.2	-2.9	31.8	3.9	32.2	-2.4	13.8	-13.8	27.4	1.9	30.5	4.8	29.1	-7.6	30.9	-0.3
Sep	32.3	-2.1	35.9	-5.0	31.7	-2.5	32.9	-1.5	35.3	-8.1	33.3	2.1	30.3	2.0	30.4	-0.3	32.0	-2.1	33.5	-1.8
Oct	28.4	-3.1	34.3	2.1	29.3	1.7	29.1	-2.7	32.3	4.5	17.6	-35.5	27.0	-0.7	28.3	-2.7	30.0	6.4	29.4	-2.6
Nov	29.6	0.0	33.6	-2.3	29.5	1.4	30.7	3.0	32.1	-0.3	28.0	9.8	28.3	0.7	27.2	-11.4	30.1	4.5	30.4	-0.7
Dec	32.8	0.0	38.1	4.4	32.7	3.5	33.6	3.4	36.8	-1.6	33.6	4.7	30.7	-1.6	28.8	-4.6	33.8	-6.9	33.7	0.0
2006 Jan	33.0	2.8	37.7	4.1	32.7	7.6	34.9	3.9	37.8	6.8	33.5	5.3	30.4	-6.2	28.4	-5.3	35.3	3.2	33.8	3.0
Feb	32.4	-1.2	37.6	-0.5	31.2	0.3	33.4	-1.5	36.9	-0.3	31.8	0.0	31.5	4.3	27.2	-12.0	35.1	1.4	33.2	-1.8
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Average:																				
Jan-Feb05	32.5		37.0		30.8		33.8		36.2		31.8		31.3		30.5		34.4		33.3	
Jan-Feb06	32.7		37.7		32.0		34.2		37.4		32.7		31.0		27.8		35.2		33.5	
% Change	0.8		1.8		3.9		1.2		3.2		2.7		-1.1		-8.7		2.3		0.6	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on the 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions or comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

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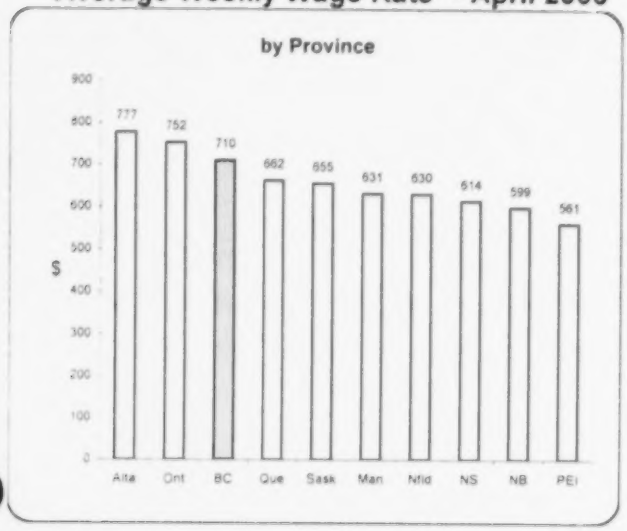
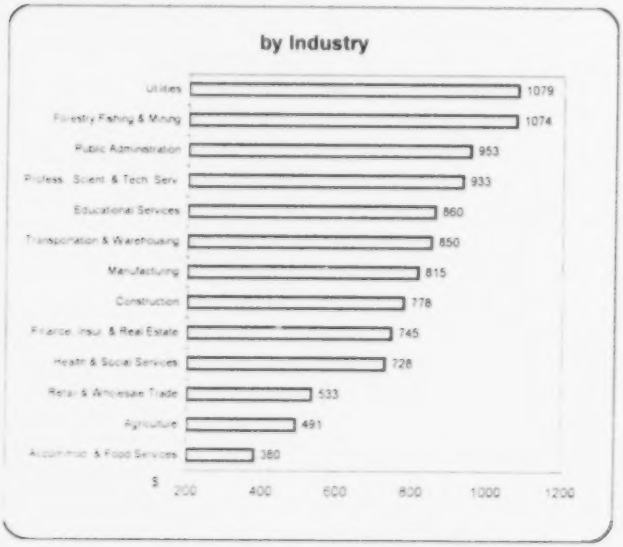
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - April 2006





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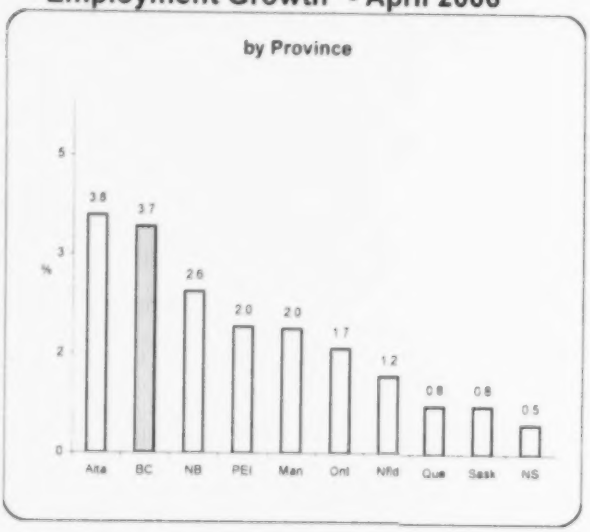
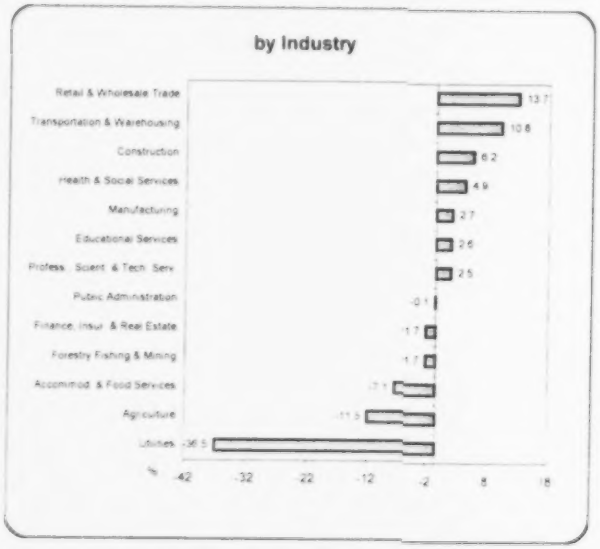
Employment Growth* - April 2006





** Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)*

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1 SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
				Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
	% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.7	0.9	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.4	2.1	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6	1.4	1.4	3.9	1.1	0.5	2.3	-0.1	2.5	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2	1.2	2.7	3.2	0.1	0.9	1.0	1.9	2.6	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.7	3.2	3.9	-0.2	0.4	0.5	1.9	2.5	2.5	7.1	6.8	4.0
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	2.7	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.5	1.2	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.7
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.1	2.2	2.6	0.7	0.0	1.0	2.3	2.4	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	1.9	2.2	0.2	-0.8	0.0	2.5	2.4	0.9	8.0	7.6	6.0
2004	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.6	2.1	-1.5	0.7	-0.5	2.4	1.8	1.1	7.2	7.2	5.5
2005	2.0	2.2	3.4	2.6	3.5	2.9	0.5	1.3	-0.5	3.3	1.4	1.8	5.9	6.8	5.1
2005 Jan	2.3	2.0	3.0	4.4	3.0	3.8	2.0	1.0	0.8	2.4	1.3	1.3	6.5	7.0	5.2
Feb	2.1	2.1	3.0	2.8	2.5	1.4	0.7	0.4	-1.6	3.7	1.5	1.3	7.0	7.0	5.4
Mar	2.1	2.3	3.1	2.9	2.6	2.4	0.8	0.2	-0.7	3.3	1.4	1.6	6.5	6.9	5.1
Apr	2.0	2.4	3.5	3.5	3.0	3.0	1.5	0.6	-0.5	3.9	1.2	1.8	6.1	6.8	5.1
May	1.5	1.6	2.8	3.7	2.7	2.3	2.2	1.1	-0.5	3.7	1.2	2.0	5.9	6.9	5.1
Jun	1.5	1.7	2.5	3.4	3.5	2.9	1.9	1.8	0.4	2.1	1.1	1.8	5.8	6.8	5.0
Jul	1.9	2.0	3.2	2.6	3.8	2.7	0.7	1.7	-0.4	2.6	1.3	1.8	6.1	6.8	5.0
Aug	2.1	2.6	3.6	2.2	4.2	1.7	0.1	1.6	-1.9	3.6	1.6	2.1	5.7	6.8	4.9
Sep	2.4	3.4	4.7	1.6	4.2	3.6	-0.8	0.8	-1.0	2.8	1.3	2.1	5.6	6.7	5.1
Oct	2.3	2.6	4.3	0.3	4.0	4.6	-1.9	1.3	0.2	3.3	1.6	2.0	5.1	6.6	4.9
Nov	2.0	2.0	3.5	2.5	3.9	3.5	0.4	1.9	0.1	4.4	1.7	1.7	4.9	6.4	5.0
Dec	1.8	2.2	3.4	1.4	4.0	2.8	-0.4	1.8	-0.6	3.5	1.6	1.9	5.1	6.5	4.9
2006 Jan	1.6	2.8	4.0	1.7	3.5	3.9	0.1	0.7	-0.1	3.1	1.7	2.0	5.1	6.6	4.7
Feb	1.6	2.2	3.6	1.7	3.3	3.5	0.1	1.1	-0.1	3.5	1.7	2.1	4.8	6.4	4.8
Mar	1.8	2.2	3.4	2.9	3.7	4.1	1.1	1.5	0.7	4.0	2.1	2.2	4.4	6.3	4.7
Apr				2.9	3.5	5.1				3.6	1.9	1.8	4.5	6.4	4.7
May															
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2.7 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996																						
1997	573.25		612.63		562.34		503.70		508.80		605.28		548.86		488.70		479.75		440.72		495.30	
1998	581.38	1.4	621.21	1.4	574.30	2.1	510.88	1.4	517.48	1.7	612.18	1.1	557.54	1.6	497.82	1.9	494.58	3.1	447.28	1.5	492.94	-0.5
1999	597.08	2.7	628.82	1.2	594.57	3.5	526.79	3.1	532.50	2.9	634.16	3.6	566.69	1.6	506.47	1.7	504.77	2.1	463.69	3.7	496.99	0.8
2000	616.02	3.2	639.37	1.7	617.23	3.8	545.87	3.6	551.82	3.6	656.96	3.6	579.75	2.3	533.68	5.4	523.89	3.8	473.88	2.2	525.69	5.8
2001	635.75	3.2	648.19	1.4	653.69	5.9	571.73	4.7	562.32	1.9	678.51	3.3	596.38	2.9	537.56	0.7	543.33	3.7	496.19	4.7	549.60	4.5
2002	649.94	2.2	668.04	3.1	684.20	4.7	585.61	2.4	574.53	2.2	689.97	1.7	606.22	1.6	546.18	1.6	558.11	2.7	508.69	2.5	567.69	3.3
2003	662.44	1.9	683.68	2.3	688.04	0.6	604.82	3.3	588.61	2.5	701.35	1.6	619.30	2.2	561.46	2.8	574.14	2.9	538.53	5.9	588.26	3.6
2004	679.83	2.6	686.74	0.4	703.63	2.3	627.34	3.7	612.04	4.0	721.00	2.8	641.46	3.6	574.18	2.3	588.07	2.4	562.57	4.5	587.82	-0.1
2005	703.35	3.5	704.49	2.6	757.32	7.6	643.13	2.5	625.21	2.2	744.94	3.3	656.66	2.4	591.28	3.0	607.46	3.3	560.82	-0.3	615.82	4.8
2005 Jan	694.21	3.0	708.11	4.4	733.59	5.7	628.21	-0.5	604.42	0.6	735.95	2.2	649.70	3.6	585.92	2.1	588.47	1.4	584.13	4.6	595.40	2.2
Feb	692.65	2.5	704.75	2.8	737.76	7.3	640.84	-0.5	611.65	0.6	732.70	1.0	646.80	3.6	577.21	1.5	585.86	0.8	583.56	3.4	595.80	2.7
Mar	695.40	2.6	697.93	2.9	735.86	6.4	634.16	0.0	620.34	1.2	736.43	1.1	653.42	3.8	580.51	1.7	600.81	2.5	578.40	2.9	610.06	3.9
Apr	699.73	3.0	700.18	3.5	748.15	8.4	624.56	-0.4	623.21	0.6	743.31	2.0	653.09	3.0	574.80	0.3	611.46	3.6	571.19	1.4	602.29	-0.7
May	696.38	2.7	699.26	3.7	745.07	6.7	634.80	2.1	619.32	0.7	735.15	1.4	654.68	2.7	582.38	3.4	608.62	2.6	557.49	-0.7	611.91	4.0
Jun	701.29	3.5	701.03	3.4	749.67	8.0	644.72	2.9	631.95	2.2	741.62	2.8	656.55	2.4	593.30	6.0	618.86	4.5	546.87	-3.1	626.38	6.9
Jul	701.93	3.8	698.58	2.6	757.60	7.6	645.54	2.8	625.11	0.7	746.97	4.8	652.77	1.0	585.71	2.9	610.08	3.5	537.14	-1.8	611.98	7.7
Aug	708.11	4.2	703.02	2.2	762.10	7.0	648.59	3.9	632.63	2.4	752.96	5.6	660.50	1.7	594.71	4.1	608.81	2.9	545.95	-1.7	630.55	8.3
Sep	713.27	4.2	709.61	1.6	775.50	9.0	656.00	5.3	640.21	5.0	757.25	4.9	660.73	1.5	609.50	5.5	615.76	3.8	549.42	-2.1	631.30	6.6
Oct	711.08	4.0	706.73	0.3	775.06	7.9	647.84	3.7	627.05	2.2	752.31	5.3	664.85	2.1	600.48	1.7	615.37	4.7	559.37	-2.2	623.34	3.8
Nov	712.84	3.9	717.99	2.5	779.80	8.4	652.90	4.6	632.78	4.8	751.83	4.3	663.45	1.6	602.58	2.6	608.15	3.8	566.33	-1.5	623.68	4.8
Dec	712.28	4.0	706.56	1.4	785.26	8.9	659.25	6.5	633.08	4.9	751.89	4.4	662.56	1.7	605.21	3.7	614.85	5.1	561.78	-1.0	621.55	5.8
2006 Jan	718.57	3.5	720.31	1.7	801.44	9.2	663.21	5.6	631.52	4.5	754.31	2.5	667.81	2.8	601.69	2.7	619.62	5.3	564.16	-3.4	639.77	7.5
Feb	715.74	3.3	716.86	1.7	789.54	7.0	670.31	4.6	628.65	2.8	756.15	3.2	660.80	2.2	596.64	3.4	612.17	4.5	567.78	-2.7	643.47	8.0
Mar	721.41	3.7	718.33	2.9	793.57	7.8	672.72	6.1	632.89	2.0	761.75	3.4	669.07	2.4	610.32	5.1	616.08	2.5	586.32	1.4	645.90	5.9
Apr	724.06	3.5	720.63	2.9	804.96	7.6	665.85	6.6	640.65	2.8	766.42	3.1	666.70	2.1	601.46	4.6	616.67	0.9	586.53	2.7	646.47	7.3
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Average:																						
Jan-Apr05	695.50		702.74		738.84		631.94		614.91		737.10		650.75		579.61		596.65		579.32		600.89	
Jan-Apr06	719.95		719.03		797.38		668.02		633.43		759.66		666.10		602.53		616.14		576.20		643.90	
% Change	3.5		2.3		7.9		5.7		3.0		3.1		2.4		4.0		3.3		-0.5		7.2	

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2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996																						
1997	15.59		16.91		14.79		13.55		13.81		16.33		15.32		12.90		12.87		11.79		13.16	
1998	15.78	1.2	17.17	1.5	15.15	2.4	13.76	1.5	14.04	1.7	16.48	0.9	15.49	1.1	13.12	1.7	13.20	2.6	11.94	1.3	13.05	-0.8
1999	16.17	2.5	17.34	1.0	15.76	4.0	14.21	3.3	14.48	3.1	17.00	3.2	15.72	1.5	13.34	1.7	13.45	1.9	12.28	2.8	13.06	0.1
2000	16.66	3.0	17.64	1.7	16.29	3.4	14.73	3.7	14.98	3.5	17.59	3.5	16.07	2.2	14.01	5.0	14.01	4.2	12.63	2.9	13.74	5.2
2001	17.22	3.4	17.98	1.9	17.13	5.2	15.35	4.2	15.34	2.4	18.17	3.3	16.63	3.5	14.20	1.4	14.53	3.7	13.22	4.7	14.32	4.2
2002	17.66	2.6	18.59	3.4	17.99	5.0	15.83	3.1	15.72	2.5	18.54	2.0	16.97	2.0	14.45	1.8	14.81	1.9	13.61	3.0	14.88	3.9
2003	18.04	2.2	19.02	2.3	18.13	0.8	16.42	3.7	16.06	2.2	18.88	1.8	17.42	2.7	14.80	2.4	15.42	4.1	14.52	6.7	15.46	3.9
2004	18.50	2.5	18.99	-0.2	18.54	2.3	16.94	3.2	16.74	4.2	19.43	2.9	17.99	3.3	15.21	2.8	15.79	2.4	15.09	3.9	15.44	-0.1
2005	19.09	3.2	19.36	1.9	19.76	6.6	17.28	2.0	17.17	2.6	20.06	3.2	18.43	2.4	15.63	2.8	16.24	2.8	15.15	0.4	16.09	4.2
2005 Jan	19.02	2.8	19.61	3.0	19.44	5.8	17.06	-0.6	16.60	-0.6	19.97	2.5	18.40	3.3	15.57	1.2	15.99	0.8	15.92	3.4	16.04	2.0
Feb	18.98	2.4	19.52	1.9	19.43	7.2	17.27	-0.4	17.02	1.4	19.83	1.1	18.43	3.7	15.57	1.7	15.93	0.2	16.03	3.4	16.13	3.7
Mar	19.04	2.8	19.24	2.4	19.41	6.2	17.14	-0.4	17.30	2.4	19.99	1.9	18.53	3.7	15.58	2.0	16.19	1.8	15.97	2.7	16.28	2.3
Apr	19.10	3.0	19.32	2.8	19.72	7.8	16.93	-0.5	17.19	1.2	20.11	2.3	18.41	2.9	15.45	0.7	16.34	1.8	15.80	1.8	16.11	0.8
May	18.89	2.4	19.27	3.0	19.53	5.9	17.02	1.6	17.05	1.3	19.78	1.4	18.27	2.1	15.40	2.9	16.12	1.9	15.08	2.4	16.03	3.1
Jun	18.90	2.8	19.19	2.9	19.52	5.8	17.24	2.7	17.17	1.8	19.88	2.6	18.18	1.6	15.53	5.0	16.33	3.8	14.58	-1.2	15.87	3.7
Jul	18.77	3.2	18.87	1.6	19.45	6.5	17.13	2.5	16.96	2.0	19.81	3.7	18.08	1.7	15.26	2.1	16.02	3.4	14.27	-0.6	15.40	5.0
Aug	18.89	3.7	19.13	2.2	19.57	6.0	17.12	3.0	17.10	3.3	19.92	4.6	18.15	1.6	15.42	3.6	16.05	3.7	14.30	-1.4	15.89	7.4
Sep	19.30	3.8	19.52	1.6	20.08	7.0	17.54	3.6	17.40	4.2	20.34	4.6	18.47	1.6	15.91	4.7	16.46	3.7	14.61	-1.7	16.44	7.6
Oct	19.33	3.9	19.48	0.6	20.17	6.4	17.57	3.5	17.28	3.0	20.29	4.9	18.70	2.6	15.80	1.9	16.50	4.6	14.91	-1.5	16.23	4.3
Nov	19.45	3.9	19.69	1.3	20.32	6.7	17.60	4.0	17.39	4.5	20.37	4.6	18.82	2.6	15.95	2.8	16.46	4.0	15.36	-1.3	16.51	5.5
Dec	19.45	3.8	19.54	0.6	20.42	7.4	17.77	5.3	17.59	6.0	20.38	4.4	18.76	2.1	16.15	4.4	16.45	4.4	15.48	-0.5	16.38	4.8
2006 Jan	19.66	3.4	19.86	1.3	20.87	7.4	18.09	6.0	17.49	5.4	20.55	2.9	18.88	2.6	16.18	3.9	16.71	4.5	15.47	-2.8	16.96	5.7
Feb	19.61	3.3	19.81	1.5	20.61	6.1	18.12	4.9	17.34	1.9	20.58	3.8	18.77	1.8	16.24	4.3	16.74	5.1	15.61	-2.6	17.24	6.9
Mar	19.71	3.5	19.71	2.4	20.76	7.0	18.12	5.7	17.49	1.1	20.67	3.4	18.99	2.5	16.35	4.9	16.76	3.5	16.00	0.2	17.15	5.3
Apr	19.69	3.1	19.77	2.3	21.07	6.8	17.86	5.5	17.49	1.7	20.66	2.7	18.83	2.3	16.18	4.7	16.67	2.0	15.95	0.9	16.90	4.9
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Jan-Apr05	19.04		19.42		19.50		17.10		17.03		19.98		18.44		15.54		16.11		15.93		16.14	
Jan-Apr06	19.67		19.79		20.83		18.05		17.45		20.62		18.87		16.24		16.72		15.76		17.06	
% Change	3.3		1.9		6.8		5.5		2.5		3.2		2.3		4.5		3.8		-1.1		5.7	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.8 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1996	13,421.4		1,816.4		1,405.1		456.8		517.4		5,167.1		3,129.8		305.5		376.9		58.9		187.5	
1997	13,706.0	2.1	1,860.5	2.4	1,451.4	3.3	466.2	2.1	525.6	1.6	5,291.4	2.4	3,172.8	1.4	309.1	1.2	382.0	1.4	58.8	-0.2	188.3	0.4
1998	14,046.2	2.5	1,858.4	-0.1	1,509.9	4.0	470.5	0.9	534.2	1.6	5,453.3	3.1	3,257.5	2.7	315.2	2.0	395.3	3.5	59.6	1.4	192.4	2.2
1999	14,406.7	2.6	1,894.4	1.9	1,544.0	2.3	471.6	0.2	541.4	1.3	5,636.7	3.4	3,328.1	2.2	325.5	3.3	404.0	2.2	60.2	1.0	201.0	4.5
2000	14,764.2	2.5	1,931.3	1.9	1,584.0	2.6	473.5	0.4	552.3	2.0	5,817.1	3.2	3,402.8	2.2	331.2	1.8	411.4	1.8	62.7	4.2	198.0	-1.5
2001	14,946.2	1.2	1,921.6	-0.5	1,630.9	3.0	460.3	-2.8	554.3	0.4	5,926.2	1.9	3,440.2	1.1	330.1	-0.3	415.2	0.9	63.6	1.4	203.8	2.9
2002	15,310.4	2.4	1,965.0	2.3	1,670.8	2.4	468.3	1.7	567.2	2.3	6,031.4	1.8	3,569.9	3.8	343.1	3.9	422.9	1.9	64.7	1.7	207.2	1.7
2003	15,672.3	2.4	2,014.7	2.5	1,716.7	2.7	476.1	1.7	570.3	0.5	6,213.2	3.0	3,628.8	1.6	343.1	0.0	431.2	2.0	66.1	2.2	212.3	2.5
2004	15,947.0	1.8	2,062.7	2.4	1,757.5	2.4	479.7	0.8	576.6	1.1	6,316.5	1.7	3,680.5	1.4	350.1	2.0	442.2	2.6	66.9	1.2	214.3	0.9
2005	16,169.7	1.4	2,130.5	3.3	1,784.4	1.5	483.5	0.8	580.3	0.6	6,397.7	1.3	3,717.3	1.0	350.5	0.1	443.1	0.2	68.2	1.9	214.1	-0.1
2005 Jan	15,678.1	1.3	2,058.0	2.5	1,740.5	1.8	473.4	2.2	567.9	0.9	6,217.0	0.5	3,599.5	1.9	332.9	1.0	426.8	2.2	62.8	4.0	199.3	0.6
Feb	15,769.2	1.5	2,069.8	3.7	1,748.6	1.6	476.3	2.5	573.6	1.7	6,259.3	0.7	3,622.4	1.5	333.6	0.9	425.3	1.3	63.3	4.3	197.2	-0.6
Mar	15,779.8	1.4	2,080.6	3.2	1,755.7	1.6	479.6	3.1	569.6	0.4	6,247.3	1.0	3,620.5	0.9	333.6	0.3	427.6	0.7	63.7	4.3	201.5	0.6
Apr	15,886.3	1.2	2,092.4	3.9	1,754.0	1.0	476.3	0.8	570.6	-0.1	6,312.6	1.2	3,645.9	0.1	336.6	1.6	434.3	1.0	63.5	3.9	200.1	-0.3
May	16,277.0	1.4	2,138.3	3.9	1,800.7	1.9	495.0	1.7	587.0	0.5	6,458.2	1.7	3,698.3	-0.6	359.9	2.1	454.3	1.3	70.6	2.5	214.6	-1.6
Jun	16,489.5	1.0	2,159.2	2.1	1,813.8	1.2	498.0	1.1	589.4	0.4	6,505.1	1.2	3,796.3	0.7	364.0	-0.8	457.7	-0.6	73.3	1.9	232.6	0.0
Jul	16,529.0	1.2	2,161.4	2.6	1,814.9	2.0	497.3	1.7	589.0	1.6	6,486.1	0.9	3,837.8	1.2	368.3	-0.4	458.3	-1.2	73.9	1.7	242.0	-1.1
Aug	16,508.5	1.5	2,166.7	3.5	1,811.9	1.3	492.3	0.6	587.0	0.7	6,507.5	1.4	3,814.1	1.6	367.7	-1.0	460.9	0.5	73.9	1.0	226.3	-1.9
Sep	16,264.6	1.3	2,142.7	2.7	1,786.4	0.7	480.2	-0.5	581.8	0.3	6,419.5	1.7	3,761.0	0.9	357.0	-1.6	443.4	-1.4	70.9	0.7	221.6	1.0
Oct	16,331.4	1.6	2,160.9	3.3	1,791.5	1.8	479.9	-1.2	582.9	0.1	6,473.4	1.8	3,759.0	1.1	351.2	-1.4	447.1	-0.1	69.7	0.3	215.9	1.0
Nov	16,295.1	1.7	2,168.0	4.5	1,796.6	1.7	479.1	-1.0	583.4	0.6	6,459.9	1.8	3,734.3	1.1	351.7	0.3	441.0	-0.6	67.2	-0.3	214.0	3.2
Dec	16,228.1	1.6	2,168.6	3.6	1,798.6	1.9	474.5	-1.3	581.9	0.5	6,427.1	1.4	3,718.2	1.7	349.9	0.9	439.8	-0.5	65.9	0.0	203.5	-2.1
2006 Jan	15,949.1	1.7	2,122.5	3.1	1,780.2	2.3	470.8	-0.5	574.1	1.1	6,337.6	1.9	3,639.1	1.1	342.9	3.0	425.0	-0.4	63.0	0.3	193.9	-2.7
Feb	16,041.7	1.7	2,141.7	3.5	1,812.8	3.7	471.9	-0.9	577.6	0.7	6,340.6	1.3	3,667.5	1.2	342.4	2.6	423.7	-0.4	63.6	0.5	199.9	1.4
Mar	16,106.7	2.1	2,164.9	4.1	1,824.4	3.9	474.4	-1.1	574.2	0.8	6,359.6	1.8	3,675.3	1.5	343.4	2.9	428.7	0.3	63.2	-0.8	198.5	-1.5
Apr	16,195.9	1.9	2,169.1	3.7	1,821.5	3.8	480.0	0.8	582.1	2.0	6,419.6	1.7	3,674.4	0.8	345.4	2.6	436.4	0.5	64.8	2.0	202.6	1.2
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Jan-Apr05	15,778.4		2,075.2		1,749.7		476.4		570.4		6,259.1		3,622.1		334.2		428.5		63.3		199.5	
Jan-Apr06	16,073.4		2,149.6		1,809.7		474.3		577.0		6,364.4		3,664.1		343.5		428.5		63.7		198.7	
% Change	1.9		3.6		3.4		-0.4		1.2		1.7		1.2		2.8		0.0		0.5		-0.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1996	34.2		33.2		35.8		35.9		34.3		34.4		33.4		35.0		34.0		35.4		33.8	
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.6	35.8	0.0	35.7	-0.6	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.1	0.3	34.2	0.6	35.2	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.1	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	35.0	0.6	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.3	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.6	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.2	2.2	35.7	2.0	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.7	0.3	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.4	1.1	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.0	35.7	0.0	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.4	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.1	-0.8	34.5	-1.4
2002	33.5	-0.9	32.0	-0.6	34.9	-2.2	34.1	-1.7	33.3	-2.1	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.6	-0.3	33.4	-1.2	34.5	-1.7	34.2	-0.9
2003	32.9	-1.8	31.8	-0.6	34.7	-0.6	33.7	-1.2	33.3	0.0	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.4	32.9	-1.5	33.9	-1.7	33.3	-2.6
2004	33.3	1.2	32.3	1.6	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.3	33.3	0.0	33.7	1.5	32.3	1.3	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-2.4	33.0	-2.7	33.4	0.3
2005	33.5	0.6	32.6	0.9	35.5	1.7	34.4	1.8	33.4	0.3	33.8	0.3	32.5	0.6	34.2	1.2	33.1	3.1	33.8	2.4	34.1	2.1
2005 Jan	33.7	-0.3	32.8	1.2	35.3	-1.7	32.8	-3.2	33.6	-0.3	34.1	-0.9	32.7	-0.3	34.8	2.4	33.4	3.4	32.9	2.5	33.6	1.8
Feb	33.8	0.6	33.8	1.2	35.5	3.2	32.9	2.5	33.2	-1.2	34.2	-0.6	32.7	-0.9	34.1	1.8	33.3	24.7	32.5	20.8	34.0	3.0
Mar	33.1	0.6	33.8	7.3	35.8	-0.3	34.4	0.3	33.6	-1.8	32.0	-0.9	33.0	0.0	33.8	-1.7	31.5	3.3	32.1	7.0	33.0	-1.2
Apr	34.6	8.1	34.0	9.0	35.9	8.1	35.8	10.8	34.6	4.2	35.0	5.7	33.7	12.3	33.6	3.1	34.1	8.6	33.5	7.4	33.7	18.2
May	34.7	-0.6	33.8	1.2	36.0	-0.3	37.1	0.3	35.1	2.0	35.0	-1.4	33.5	-1.2	35.0	-0.6	34.9	-1.4	36.1	-4.5	35.5	1.1
Jun	35.0	0.3	33.8	-0.3	36.4	0.8	36.3	0.0	34.9	-1.1	35.3	0.0	34.0	0.6	35.8	1.1	35.1	0.6	36.4	-2.4	37.3	2.5
Jul	32.1	0.3	31.8	-0.9	34.6	1.2	33.4	2.8	32.2	-0.3	32.3	0.6	30.2	-0.3	33.6	3.1	32.5	1.2	34.3	1.8	34.5	-0.6
Aug	32.0	0.0	30.9	-0.3	34.2	0.9	33.4	1.8	32.4	2.2	32.5	0.3	30.3	-1.3	33.4	2.1	31.7	0.6	34.1	3.0	32.2	0.9
Sep	34.8	-0.3	33.5	-1.8	36.8	0.5	36.5	2.5	35.5	2.3	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-0.9	36.7	2.2	34.3	-1.4	35.9	0.0	35.8	1.7
Oct	30.8	0.3	29.4	-2.6	34.0	3.0	33.3	2.5	30.7	-1.6	30.8	0.7	29.5	0.0	32.2	0.3	30.7	0.0	31.9	1.9	32.5	0.6
Nov	32.9	0.3	30.4	-0.7	34.2	3.3	32.1	3.2	30.6	0.3	33.9	-0.6	33.0	0.3	31.7	-0.6	30.8	1.7	30.7	-1.0	32.2	1.6
Dec	34.6	0.0	33.7	0.0	36.9	0.8	34.8	0.3	34.2	-1.2	34.9	-0.3	33.5	-0.3	35.1	-0.3	34.5	-0.3	34.0	0.9	35.0	0.3
2006 Jan	34.3	1.8	33.8	3.0	36.7	4.0	34.3	4.6	33.5	-0.3	34.5	1.2	33.1	1.2	34.5	-0.9	33.6	0.6	33.1	0.6	33.9	0.9
Feb	33.7	-0.3	33.2	-1.8	35.8	0.8	31.9	-3.0	33.3	0.3	34.2	0.0	32.6	-0.3	34.0	-0.3	33.0	-0.9	33.1	1.8	34.2	0.6
Mar	33.0	-0.3	31.4	-7.1	36.4	1.7	34.8	1.2	34.5	2.7	32.2	0.6	33.1	0.3	34.5	2.1	30.3	-3.8	33.5	4.4	34.5	4.5
Apr	30.5	-11.8	29.9	-12.1	32.4	-9.7	31.4	-12.3	30.6	-11.6	30.3	-13.4	30.2	-10.4	31.1	-7.4	30.1	-11.7	29.4	-12.2	30.8	-8.6
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Jan-Apr05	33.8		33.6		35.6		34.0		33.8		33.8		33.0		34.1		33.1		32.8		33.6	
Jan-Apr06	32.9		32.1		35.3		33.1		33.0		32.8		32.3		33.5		31.8		32.3		33.4	
% Change	-2.7		-4.5		-0.8		-2.6		-2.3		-3.0		-2.3		-1.6		-4.0		-1.5		-0.7	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

		Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
		$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
	1996									377.6		1,194.9		36.3		32.3	
	1997	731.93		579.76		18.51		16.47		417.3	10.5	1,443.2	20.8	36.3	0.0	32.0	-0.9
	1998	754.02	3.0	584.04	0.7	18.99	2.6	16.66	1.2	408.5	-2.1	1,449.9	0.5	36.0	-0.8	31.5	-1.6
	1999	763.14	1.2	594.48	1.8	19.20	1.1	16.86	1.2	393.8	-3.6	1,500.5	3.5	36.2	0.6	31.5	0.0
	2000	764.48	0.2	607.09	2.1	19.26	0.3	17.23	2.2	406.3	3.2	1,525.0	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
	2001	780.91	2.1	616.03	1.5	19.60	1.8	17.59	2.1	382.3	-5.9	1,539.3	0.9	36.3	-1.6	31.2	-3.4
	2002	787.66	0.9	638.67	3.7	19.91	1.6	18.27	3.9	392.2	2.6	1,572.8	2.2	35.8	-1.4	31.0	-0.6
	2003	809.71	2.8	651.68	2.0	20.47	2.8	18.66	2.1	416.4	6.2	1,598.3	1.6	35.6	-0.6	30.8	-0.6
	2004	793.81	-2.0	658.93	1.1	19.94	-2.6	18.74	0.4	436.9	4.9	1,625.8	1.7	36.3	2.0	31.2	1.3
	2005	807.50	1.7	678.52	3.0	20.20	1.3	19.15	2.2	452.7	3.6	1,677.8	3.2	36.7	1.1	31.5	1.0
2005	Jan	814.25	0.9	681.60	5.2	20.64	0.6	19.35	3.5	438.7	7.7	1,619.3	1.1	35.5	0.9	32.1	1.3
	Feb	802.07	0.6	680.21	3.4	20.22	0.4	19.34	2.3	441.7	9.0	1,628.1	2.3	37.8	1.1	32.8	1.5
	Mar	802.27	3.5	671.79	2.7	20.10	2.6	19.03	2.4	434.5	6.1	1,646.1	2.5	38.1	5.8	32.7	7.6
	Apr	817.72	5.0	671.06	3.2	20.37	3.3	19.06	2.7	443.3	6.1	1,649.1	3.4	38.7	9.9	32.8	9.0
	May	816.80	6.2	669.99	3.2	20.40	5.0	18.99	2.5	451.2	4.1	1,687.1	3.8	38.1	1.9	32.7	0.9
	Jun	810.45	4.2	672.70	3.2	20.16	4.8	18.94	2.4	465.1	1.8	1,694.1	2.2	38.1	-1.3	32.6	0.0
	Jul	796.14	1.0	671.86	3.2	19.65	0.4	18.66	2.0	486.2	3.9	1,675.2	2.2	36.8	0.0	30.3	-1.3
	Aug	786.99	0.2	680.54	3.0	19.68	1.0	18.98	2.5	475.2	1.5	1,691.5	4.1	35.9	-0.6	29.5	-0.3
	Sep	804.71	-1.2	686.37	2.8	20.06	-1.3	19.39	2.5	449.1	0.3	1,693.6	3.4	38.3	-0.3	32.3	-2.1
	Oct	802.39	-1.3	682.91	1.1	20.07	-1.7	19.33	1.4	451.8	-0.8	1,709.1	4.5	33.2	-0.6	28.4	-3.1
	Nov	829.00	1.4	690.78	3.1	20.68	0.9	19.44	1.5	452.1	3.3	1,715.9	4.8	33.6	-1.5	29.6	0.0
	Dec	809.90	0.9	682.06	1.7	20.43	-0.4	19.33	0.8	443.8	2.0	1,724.9	4.0	37.1	-0.5	32.8	0.0
2006	Jan	835.07	2.6	693.64	1.8	20.96	1.6	19.60	1.3	421.5	-3.9	1,701.1	5.1	37.1	4.5	33.0	2.8
	Feb	828.76	3.3	690.29	1.5	20.93	3.5	19.55	1.1	442.5	0.2	1,699.2	4.4	36.5	-3.4	32.4	-1.2
	Mar	828.13	3.2	691.25	2.9	20.94	4.2	19.41	2.0	454.3	4.6	1,710.6	3.9	36.6	-3.9	30.0	-8.3
	Apr	820.50	0.3	696.46	3.8	20.69	1.6	19.55	2.6	449.6	1.4	1,719.5	4.3	32.6	-15.8	29.2	-11.0
	May																
	Jun																
	Jul																
	Aug																
	Sep																
	Oct																
	Nov																
	Dec																
Average:																	
Jan-Apr05		809.08		676.17		20.33		19.20		439.6		1,635.7		37.5		32.6	
Jan-Apr06		828.12		692.91		20.88		19.53		442.0		1,707.6		35.7		31.2	
% Change		2.4		2.5		2.7		1.7		0.6		4.4		-4.9		-4.4	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996												
1997	731.93		419.45		894.10		891.22		734.88		683.80	
1998	754.02	3.0	448.71	7.0	899.86	0.6	965.38	8.3	748.01	1.8	728.54	6.5
1999	763.14	1.2	518.47	15.5	943.23	4.8	919.16	-4.8	756.61	1.1	706.60	-3.0
2000	764.48	0.2	443.18	-14.5	945.49	0.2	952.59	3.6	750.08	-0.9	737.24	4.3
2001	780.91	2.1	463.69	4.6	974.68	3.1	945.04	-0.8	762.88	1.7	786.23	6.6
2002	787.66	0.9	458.57	-1.1	953.33	-2.2	980.51	3.8	784.68	2.9	778.14	-1.0
2003	809.71	2.8	479.92	4.7	968.26	1.6	1079.10	10.1	807.45	2.9	779.83	0.2
2004	793.81	-2.0	494.54	3.0	1019.25	5.3	998.53	-7.5	791.22	-2.0	784.30	0.6
2005	807.50	1.7	506.64	2.4	1047.49	2.8	1056.01	5.8	803.36	1.5	778.92	-0.7
2005 Jan	814.25	0.9	609.90	31.6	1010.20	4.0	935.26	-11.3	800.54	0.1	807.38	1.3
Feb	802.07	0.6	518.67	0.7	977.23	0.7	925.86	-17.5	794.70	0.9	804.70	1.7
Mar	802.27	3.5	549.37	11.2	1025.39	-0.3	962.49	-11.3	776.50	3.5	820.90	3.5
Apr	817.72	5.0	491.26	-1.6	1038.44	5.2	1107.72	15.3	796.33	2.4	829.54	4.8
May	816.80	6.2	455.50	-8.2	1046.63	6.1	1189.24	17.2	802.36	3.5	790.51	6.1
Jun	810.45	4.2	482.83	-7.2	1004.93	2.4	1073.73	12.6	820.27	5.9	764.82	-1.1
Jul	796.14	1.0	520.80	3.2	1029.46	1.8	1095.99	15.1	798.77	-0.2	758.23	0.5
Aug	786.99	0.2	507.95	-1.3	956.76	-6.7	1131.70	10.7	805.60	3.5	744.46	-3.8
Sep	804.71	-1.2	477.14	1.1	1055.95	-1.8	1107.27	0.5	803.93	-0.5	762.24	-5.5
Oct	802.39	-1.3	481.68	6.4	1118.11	-0.3	1073.63	17.7	800.07	-2.0	743.37	-6.2
Nov	829.00	1.4	515.67	10.7	1168.61	14.8	1026.99	22.8	822.51	-0.2	783.19	-3.7
Dec	809.90	0.9	488.40	-4.2	1177.80	13.7	896.76	-2.7	818.74	2.0	756.33	-2.9
2006 Jan	835.07	2.6	507.45	-16.8	1083.22	7.2	1020.34	9.1	843.14	5.3	791.43	-2.0
Feb	828.76	3.3	502.71	-3.1	1082.06	10.7	933.63	0.8	827.25	4.1	814.44	1.2
Mar	828.13	3.2	531.36	-3.3	1087.20	6.0	1264.05	31.3	819.07	5.5	805.71	-1.9
Apr	820.50	0.3	425.55	-13.4	1078.74	3.9	1129.50	2.0	820.83	3.1	819.48	-1.2
May												
Jun												
Jul												
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Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Apr05	809.08		542.30		1012.82		982.83		792.02		815.63	
Jan-Apr06	828.12		491.77		1082.81		1086.88		827.57		807.77	
% Change	2.4		-9.3		6.9		10.6		4.5		-1.0	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.2B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996																				
1997	579.76		700.83		489.26		590.49		733.47		738.41		604.89		315.46		787.32		612.63	
1998	584.04	0.7	720.07	2.7	481.79	-1.5	631.81	7.0	750.34	2.3	725.43	-1.8	614.73	1.6	328.88	4.3	767.01	-2.6	621.21	1.4
1999	594.48	1.8	733.87	1.9	503.61	4.5	627.82	-0.6	776.25	3.5	738.95	1.9	624.62	1.6	318.75	-3.1	791.92	3.2	628.82	1.2
2000	607.09	2.1	730.56	-0.5	489.95	-2.7	677.15	7.9	778.28	0.3	766.76	3.8	635.84	1.8	338.07	6.1	813.88	2.8	639.37	1.7
2001	616.03	1.5	770.96	5.5	488.29	-0.3	682.44	0.8	808.78	3.9	745.10	-2.8	660.53	3.9	344.40	1.9	825.90	1.5	648.19	1.4
2002	638.67	3.7	801.51	4.0	502.66	2.9	732.43	7.3	850.34	5.1	776.52	4.2	688.72	4.3	334.46	-2.9	889.68	7.7	668.04	3.1
2003	651.68	2.0	803.93	0.3	522.83	4.0	728.90	-0.5	859.44	1.1	791.53	1.9	707.75	2.8	350.03	4.7	906.69	1.9	683.68	2.3
2004	658.93	1.1	788.53	-1.9	521.95	-0.2	721.30	-1.0	841.32	-2.1	825.68	4.3	732.99	3.6	362.56	3.6	911.87	0.6	686.74	0.4
2005	678.52	3.0	838.68	6.4	522.12	0.0	732.85	1.6	930.40	10.6	852.02	3.2	727.40	-0.8	385.89	6.4	952.45	4.5	704.49	2.6
2005 Jan	681.60	5.2	852.21	15.1	517.83	4.1	746.37	2.8	891.40	1.8	844.27	12.9	750.98	2.2	386.59	46.1	966.37	2.9	708.11	4.4
Feb	680.21	3.4	812.39	8.2	520.37	-1.2	726.95	-2.6	916.04	10.2	824.99	1.5	747.17	-2.1	390.16	47.7	961.56	5.0	704.75	2.8
Mar	671.79	2.7	817.79	12.5	512.43	-2.6	739.28	-4.6	924.74	9.8	825.58	4.4	720.04	-3.9	367.26	38.2	964.13	8.6	697.93	2.9
Apr	671.06	3.2	807.20	9.2	530.21	1.7	706.98	-4.7	962.01	17.2	832.61	6.5	722.32	-3.6	366.83	40.5	940.15	4.7	700.18	3.5
May	669.99	3.2	820.52	11.9	512.41	1.3	708.38	-5.3	945.56	10.9	850.19	6.2	713.16	-4.7	374.31	36.3	903.96	1.8	699.26	3.7
Jun	672.70	3.2	861.27	12.6	512.76	-3.2	733.42	1.7	899.39	13.4	861.00	4.0	718.84	-0.1	385.24	41.1	929.94	4.3	701.03	3.4
Jul	671.86	3.2	857.03	7.8	516.48	-2.3	714.52	0.1	920.22	14.4	829.92	-6.7	721.87	2.3	396.56	50.3	909.15	2.7	698.58	2.6
Aug	680.54	3.0	833.37	1.5	523.72	0.0	707.78	1.5	941.05	13.9	911.82	-2.1	721.27	1.4	403.44	48.9	943.48	5.1	703.02	2.2
Sep	686.37	2.8	850.18	1.0	544.43	3.6	732.03	6.4	944.09	9.5	841.11	-2.0	729.18	5.0	400.61	47.9	974.86	6.3	709.61	1.6
Oct	682.91	1.1	860.07	-1.6	521.82	-2.5	763.42	11.6	942.04	7.1	870.77	4.1	724.24	-2.1	403.72	52.3	978.94	3.8	706.73	0.3
Nov	690.78	3.1	828.84	-2.0	524.61	-0.6	768.26	10.5	951.24	14.1	882.06	7.0	739.21	0.0	384.09	47.1	979.43	5.3	717.99	2.5
Dec	682.06	1.7	856.03	3.1	526.49	1.9	756.06	4.5	927.60	7.3	861.36	2.0	718.29	-4.0	369.59	41.3	987.13	3.6	706.56	1.4
2006 Jan	693.64	1.8	866.24	1.6	553.17	6.8	788.44	5.6	903.99	1.4	837.86	-0.8	735.18	-2.1	370.93	-4.1	961.52	-0.5	720.31	1.7
Feb	690.29	1.5	850.67	4.7	565.29	8.6	749.20	3.1	924.97	1.0	851.84	3.3	728.34	-2.5	352.16	-9.7	982.29	2.2	716.86	1.7
Mar	691.25	2.9	846.80	3.5	560.31	9.3	758.48	2.6	906.07	-2.0	840.81	1.8	747.09	3.8	362.28	-1.4	932.04	-3.3	718.33	2.9
Apr	696.46	3.8	870.13	7.8	537.55	1.4	765.97	8.3	985.51	2.4	877.54	5.4	744.63	3.1	359.89	-1.9	953.68	1.4	720.63	2.9
May																				
Jun																				
Jul																				
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Apr05	676.17		822.40		520.21		729.90		923.55		831.86		735.13		377.71		958.05		702.74	
Jan-Apr06	692.91		858.46		554.08		765.52		930.14		852.01		738.81		361.32		957.38		719.03	
% Change	2.5		4.4		6.5		4.9		0.7		2.4		0.5		-4.3		-0.1		2.3	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

33A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996												
1997	18.51		11.50		21.43		23.55		18.50		17.80	
1998	18.99	2.6	12.04	4.7	21.23	-0.9	25.21	7.0	18.94	2.4	18.62	4.6
1999	19.20	1.1	13.72	14.0	21.93	3.3	24.16	-4.2	19.14	1.1	18.23	-2.1
2000	19.26	0.3	11.38	-17.1	22.71	3.6	24.75	2.4	18.95	-1.0	18.93	3.8
2001	19.60	1.8	11.92	4.7	22.80	0.4	24.76	0.0	19.29	1.8	19.89	5.1
2002	19.91	1.6	11.83	-0.8	22.32	-2.1	25.92	4.7	19.88	3.1	20.02	0.7
2003	20.47	2.8	12.77	7.9	23.20	3.9	28.13	8.5	20.47	3.0	19.91	-0.5
2004	19.94	-2.6	12.61	-1.3	24.00	3.4	25.81	-8.2	20.01	-2.2	19.78	-0.7
2005	20.20	1.3	12.69	0.6	24.19	0.8	27.57	6.8	20.31	1.5	19.57	-1.1
2005 Jan	20.64	0.6	15.28	6.1	23.97	0.2	25.02	-9.6	20.20	0.0	21.06	3.6
Feb	20.22	0.4	13.05	-0.5	23.24	1.6	24.49	-18.8	20.21	1.1	20.31	1.4
Mar	20.10	2.6	13.12	-0.8	24.35	4.6	25.48	-10.4	19.79	2.4	20.33	3.3
Apr	20.37	3.3	12.26	-3.8	24.42	0.0	28.77	14.8	20.15	1.8	20.44	3.5
May	20.40	5.0	11.53	-5.6	24.13	-0.9	30.91	17.1	20.36	4.0	19.71	3.9
Jun	20.16	4.8	12.01	-2.2	23.13	-0.7	27.78	15.5	20.61	6.2	19.21	0.7
Jul	19.65	0.4	12.93	9.6	23.30	-2.3	26.26	16.3	19.98	0.3	18.73	-2.4
Aug	19.68	1.0	12.00	-0.8	22.82	-1.8	29.45	18.2	20.23	2.9	18.84	-3.1
Sep	20.06	-1.3	12.36	-1.0	24.39	-0.1	28.47	9.2	20.23	-1.7	19.05	-4.8
Oct	20.07	-1.7	12.24	0.2	25.04	-3.0	28.16	18.1	20.33	-1.4	18.77	-6.6
Nov	20.68	0.9	13.09	1.8	25.68	7.4	26.65	16.7	20.85	1.1	19.70	-4.1
Dec	20.43	-0.4	13.40	-1.6	26.72	8.4	24.12	-4.7	20.84	1.7	19.22	-5.3
2006 Jan	20.96	1.6	13.38	-12.4	24.48	2.1	27.40	9.5	21.43	6.1	19.94	-5.3
Feb	20.93	3.5	14.22	9.0	25.13	8.1	25.33	3.4	21.14	4.6	20.27	-0.2
Mar	20.94	4.2	14.79	12.7	25.43	4.4	30.95	21.5	20.89	5.6	20.36	0.1
Apr	20.69	1.6	12.48	1.8	25.00	2.4	28.90	0.5	20.87	3.6	20.51	0.3
May												
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Apr05	20.33		13.43		24.00		25.94		20.09		20.54	
Jan-Apr06	20.88		13.72		25.01		28.15		21.08		20.27	
% Change	2.7		2.2		4.2		8.5		5.0		-1.3	

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3.3B *B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1996																				
1997	16.47		18.21		13.56		16.15		19.12		22.51		18.51		10.11		21.20		16.91	
1998	16.66	1.2	18.67	2.5	13.58	0.1	17.27	6.9	19.63	2.7	22.20	-1.4	18.78	1.5	10.42	3.1	20.94	-1.2	17.17	1.5
1999	16.86	1.2	19.03	1.9	14.09	3.8	17.15	-0.7	20.47	4.3	22.02	-0.8	18.98	1.1	10.29	-1.2	21.56	3.0	17.34	1.0
2000	17.23	2.2	18.70	-1.7	13.95	-1.0	18.41	7.3	20.36	-0.5	23.05	4.7	19.29	1.6	10.81	5.1	21.88	1.5	17.64	1.7
2001	17.59	2.1	20.06	7.3	13.96	0.1	18.62	1.1	21.42	5.2	22.71	-1.5	20.17	4.6	10.95	1.3	22.56	3.1	17.98	1.9
2002	18.27	3.9	20.38	1.6	14.45	3.5	19.92	7.0	22.52	5.1	23.66	4.2	21.03	4.3	11.09	1.3	23.93	6.1	18.59	3.4
2003	18.66	2.1	20.43	0.2	14.93	3.3	19.78	-0.7	22.71	0.8	24.27	2.6	21.91	4.2	11.28	1.7	24.40	2.0	19.02	2.3
2004	18.74	0.4	19.95	-2.3	14.94	0.1	19.80	0.1	22.11	-2.6	25.04	3.2	22.04	0.6	11.57	2.6	24.81	1.7	18.99	-0.2
2005	19.15	2.2	21.16	6.1	14.97	0.2	19.89	0.5	24.30	9.9	25.21	0.7	21.87	-0.8	12.00	3.7	25.88	4.3	19.36	1.9
2005 Jan	19.35	3.5	21.43	11.3	15.09	3.4	20.88	5.8	23.43	2.3	25.17	8.0	22.37	-0.3	11.80	1.4	26.20	3.1	19.61	3.0
Feb	19.34	2.3	20.47	5.2	14.99	-3.1	19.98	-2.1	24.07	10.7	25.06	1.5	22.45	-1.0	11.93	4.0	26.26	6.2	19.52	1.9
Mar	19.03	2.4	20.59	10.2	14.91	-0.9	20.06	-3.7	24.32	10.6	24.28	0.5	21.83	-1.8	11.77	2.3	26.04	7.9	19.24	2.4
Apr	19.06	2.7	21.01	9.5	15.13	0.4	19.38	-5.8	24.69	12.8	24.99	4.4	21.54	-2.2	11.74	2.2	25.73	5.1	19.32	2.8
May	18.99	2.5	21.08	9.1	14.73	1.4	19.04	-4.5	24.62	7.6	25.68	4.7	21.29	-4.0	11.82	2.4	25.06	3.3	19.27	3.0
Jun	18.94	2.4	21.43	8.3	14.72	-1.8	19.56	-1.2	23.67	11.7	25.45	1.6	21.59	0.8	11.84	0.9	25.23	3.0	19.19	2.9
Jul	18.66	2.0	21.46	9.2	14.61	-1.7	19.05	-1.6	23.55	11.2	24.52	-2.9	21.31	-0.4	11.90	2.5	24.68	2.3	18.87	1.6
Aug	18.98	2.5	21.09	6.4	14.83	1.0	19.00	-1.2	24.49	11.6	26.32	-0.5	21.91	1.3	12.02	3.4	25.53	4.7	19.13	2.2
Sep	19.39	2.5	21.35	2.9	15.30	3.4	20.02	4.8	24.68	11.3	25.29	-1.7	22.03	2.3	12.42	5.9	26.59	5.3	19.52	1.6
Oct	19.33	1.4	21.40	0.8	15.04	-1.1	20.94	9.2	24.92	11.2	25.34	-1.9	21.90	-0.5	12.46	7.2	26.39	3.3	19.48	0.6
Nov	19.44	1.5	20.94	-0.3	15.03	-0.3	20.66	6.4	24.86	12.9	25.40	-2.8	22.14	-1.2	12.44	7.1	26.49	4.7	19.69	1.3
Dec	19.33	0.8	21.51	0.2	15.22	1.5	20.50	2.1	24.35	7.2	25.10	-2.4	21.95	-3.1	11.92	5.7	26.58	3.5	19.54	0.6
2006 Jan	19.60	1.3	21.79	1.7	15.75	4.4	20.97	0.4	23.62	0.8	24.44	-2.9	22.47	0.4	12.06	2.2	25.79	-1.6	19.86	1.3
Feb	19.55	1.1	21.24	3.8	16.07	7.2	20.14	0.8	24.21	0.6	25.83	3.1	21.85	-2.7	11.67	-2.2	26.29	0.1	19.81	1.5
Mar	19.41	2.0	21.26	3.3	15.77	5.8	20.36	1.5	23.77	-2.3	24.84	2.3	22.22	1.8	11.71	-0.5	25.32	-2.8	19.71	2.4
Apr	19.55	2.6	21.74	3.5	15.33	1.3	20.49	5.7	25.72	4.2	25.86	3.5	22.11	2.6	11.48	-2.2	25.70	-0.1	19.77	2.3
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Average:																				
Jan-Apr05	19.20		20.88		15.03		20.08		24.13		24.88		22.05		11.81		26.06		19.42	
Jan-Apr06	19.53		21.51		15.73		20.49		24.33		25.24		22.16		11.73		25.78		19.79	
% Change	1.7		3.0		4.7		2.1		0.8		1.5		0.5		-0.7		-1.1		1.9	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing						Construction	
													Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1996	408.2		30.7		32.3		5.2		17.6		192.8		23.8		42.9		22.9		119.3	
1997	417.3	2.2	34.0	10.7	32.2	-0.3	5.4	3.8	16.3	-7.4	196.2	1.8	25.1	5.5	44.6	4.0	23.1	0.9	123.1	3.2
1998	408.5	-2.1	33.0	-2.9	30.2	-6.2	3.4	-37.0	17.7	8.6	195.9	-0.2	25.6	2.0	43.4	-2.7	22.7	-1.7	117.2	-4.8
1999	393.8	-3.6	28.1	-14.8	30.0	-0.7	3.8	11.8	14.8	-16.4	191.8	-2.1	21.6	-15.6	42.4	-2.3	22.4	-1.3	114.3	-2.5
2000	406.3	3.2	29.7	5.7	35.5	18.3	4.3	13.2	12.8	-13.5	202.5	5.6	23.4	8.3	45.7	7.8	17.8	-20.5	111.1	-2.8
2001	382.3	-5.9	25.5	-14.1	24.7	-30.4	4.7	9.3	11.3	-11.7	194.9	-3.8	25.6	9.4	48.9	7.0	15.0	-15.7	110.7	-0.4
2002	392.2	2.6	29.0	13.7	25.3	2.4	3.1	-34.0	9.2	-18.6	196.6	0.9	27.0	5.5	43.8	-10.4	17.0	13.3	118.1	6.7
2003	416.4	6.2	32.9	13.4	27.7	9.5	4.6	48.4	13.3	44.6	206.8	5.2	31.7	17.4	49.0	11.9	14.4	-15.3	119.8	1.4
2004	436.9	4.9	36.9	12.2	21.5	-22.4	2.9	-37.0	11.1	-16.5	211.2	2.1	31.4	-0.9	46.9	-4.3	12.0	-16.7	144.0	20.2
2005	452.7	3.6	38.7	4.9	21.6	0.5	2.1	-27.6	13.8	24.3	198.2	-6.2	31.5	0.3	45.8	-2.3	12.3	2.5	168.0	16.7
2005 Jan	438.7	7.7	34.4	10.3	19.2	3.2	n.a.	n.a.	13.8	27.8	203.8	-2.3	38.6	-8.3	39.2	-18.2	12.5	19.0	158.6	28.3
Feb	441.7	9.0	35.2	8.6	22.5	4.2	1.6	-51.5	12.7	13.4	201.6	-3.4	39.7	23.3	42.9	-10.8	12.4	13.8	158.6	32.7
Mar	434.5	6.1	37.5	9.3	19.5	-8.0	n.a.	n.a.	14.3	55.4	195.4	-5.0	37.7	25.2	43.7	-20.1	12.9	37.2	157.1	24.4
Apr	443.3	6.1	40.7	8.2	21.8	16.6	n.a.	n.a.	12.0	39.5	193.1	-7.6	33.7	13.9	41.2	-17.4	13.8	32.7	163.9	25.1
May	451.2	4.1	39.0	-6.0	25.3	29.7	3.1	-13.9	12.4	19.2	196.0	-7.5	35.4	21.2	42.4	-11.1	13.8	-4.2	162.5	19.6
Jun	465.1	1.8	42.8	-0.9	25.4	1.2	4.9	63.3	12.8	20.8	194.3	-8.6	30.1	-2.3	46.0	-0.9	11.0	-24.7	171.5	12.8
Jul	486.2	3.9	49.6	14.8	23.7	-14.1	2.0	-20.0	14.4	42.6	205.9	-6.5	35.6	42.4	50.1	-0.4	12.5	-8.1	177.5	14.4
Aug	475.2	1.5	45.3	5.6	23.8	3.9	1.7	-55.3	14.6	36.4	199.7	-9.4	30.5	3.4	49.5	9.3	12.7	6.7	178.8	13.5
Sep	449.1	0.3	37.9	7.1	21.6	-1.8	1.7	-34.6	13.7	23.4	197.7	-7.8	25.2	-7.7	47.0	4.4	9.6	-16.5	166.2	8.2
Oct	451.8	-0.8	37.3	-0.8	22.1	3.3	3.2	33.3	14.3	10.9	194.1	-7.8	25.4	-23.0	51.7	22.2	9.9	-22.0	171.1	5.4
Nov	452.1	3.3	30.5	-1.6	16.7	-16.1	1.6	0.0	15.6	18.2	206.7	-0.8	22.6	-36.3	48.1	15.1	13.2	20.0	172.9	10.5
Dec	443.8	2.0	34.6	4.5	17.8	-9.6	2.5	n.a.	15.0	1.4	189.5	-7.1	23.4	-29.7	47.6	10.2	13.0	0.0	177.1	14.6
2006 Jan	421.5	-3.9	29.1	-15.4	16.1	-16.1	3.5	n.a.	17.3	25.4	184.9	-9.3	20.8	-46.1	45.6	16.3	12.2	-2.4	161.9	2.1
Feb	442.5	0.2	31.4	-10.8	18.8	-16.4	3.5	118.8	15.4	21.3	200.0	-0.8	27.4	-31.0	46.0	7.2	12.8	3.2	165.5	4.4
Mar	454.3	4.6	34.7	-7.5	20.3	4.1	2.6	n.a.	14.9	4.2	203.8	4.3	24.2	-35.8	50.4	15.3	12.2	-5.4	170.8	8.7
Apr	449.6	1.4	36.0	-11.5	15.8	-27.5	2.5	n.a.	16.2	35.0	198.4	2.7	27.2	-19.3	47.7	15.8	14.4	4.3	174.1	6.2
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Average:																				
Jan-Apr05	439.6		37.0		20.8		n.a.		13.2		198.5		37.4		41.8		12.9		159.6	
Jan-Apr06	442.0		32.8		17.8		n.a.		16.0		196.8		24.9		47.4		12.9		168.1	
% Change	0.6		-11.2		-14.5		n.a.		20.8		-0.9		-33.5		13.6		0.0		5.3	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1996	1,408.2		100.3		291.2		124.0		786.6		118.4		183.3		140.8		106.1		1,816.4	
1997	1,443.2	2.5	108.0	7.7	297.7	2.2	127.7	3.0	809.1	2.9	120.3	1.6	191.3	4.4	142.2	1.0	100.7	-5.1	1,860.5	2.4
1998	1,449.9	0.5	105.6	-2.2	289.7	-2.7	122.3	-4.2	838.5	3.6	118.3	-1.7	197.4	3.2	146.8	3.2	93.8	-6.9	1,858.4	-0.1
1999	1,500.5	3.5	115.9	9.8	304.8	5.2	121.0	-1.1	866.3	3.3	127.3	7.6	193.3	-2.1	149.1	1.6	92.5	-1.4	1,894.4	1.9
2000	1,525.0	1.6	116.9	0.9	300.8	-1.3	118.3	-2.2	896.5	3.5	136.6	7.3	201.2	4.1	154.5	3.6	92.4	-0.1	1,931.3	1.9
2001	1,539.3	0.9	112.4	-3.8	303.3	0.8	120.9	2.2	913.1	1.9	138.3	1.2	196.8	-2.2	163.7	6.0	89.5	-3.1	1,921.6	-0.5
2002	1,572.8	2.2	112.9	0.4	324.9	7.1	123.3	2.0	923.6	1.1	139.3	0.7	211.6	7.5	162.5	-0.7	88.1	-1.6	1,965.0	2.3
2003	1,598.3	1.6	119.6	5.9	327.8	0.9	124.5	1.0	933.3	1.1	140.1	0.6	213.3	0.8	159.4	-1.9	93.0	5.6	2,014.7	2.5
2004	1,625.8	1.7	116.5	-2.6	315.8	-3.7	129.2	3.8	967.1	3.6	135.9	-3.0	219.2	2.8	175.3	10.0	97.2	4.5	2,062.7	2.4
2005	1,677.8	3.2	118.7	1.9	334.6	6.0	132.9	2.9	996.5	3.0	146.1	7.5	217.4	-0.8	175.8	0.3	95.1	-2.2	2,130.5	3.3
2005 Jan	1,619.3	1.1	112.2	-5.1	319.5	-3.6	128.3	1.4	968.6	4.0	145.0	0.6	220.4	2.8	168.9	7.8	90.7	-3.7	2,058.0	2.5
Feb	1,628.1	2.3	109.9	-3.9	315.6	0.9	130.9	5.6	980.2	3.8	153.8	4.9	218.9	4.8	163.0	-2.6	91.5	-5.1	2,069.8	3.7
Mar	1,646.1	2.5	112.2	0.1	326.2	1.7	137.3	6.8	977.3	3.4	148.9	8.4	216.4	-0.9	164.8	-3.3	93.2	-6.2	2,080.6	3.2
Apr	1,649.1	3.4	108.2	-6.0	317.2	2.8	131.7	0.5	1,000.6	5.8	154.0	14.0	213.7	-1.0	179.1	2.3	91.5	-3.9	2,092.4	3.9
May	1,687.1	3.8	118.8	2.3	326.2	4.6	134.9	3.8	1,003.2	3.6	153.0	10.4	208.3	-3.6	179.3	3.6	104.0	5.8	2,138.3	3.9
Jun	1,694.1	2.2	118.2	-4.2	318.0	1.9	139.8	9.6	1,019.2	2.5	154.7	11.6	209.7	-6.6	178.9	-2.7	99.1	0.1	2,159.2	2.1
Jul	1,675.2	2.2	129.6	3.6	323.0	1.2	135.6	8.2	990.3	2.0	129.8	15.4	211.9	-3.8	189.8	1.4	96.7	-1.8	2,161.4	2.6
Aug	1,691.5	4.1	126.3	7.1	336.1	8.9	137.0	2.8	990.7	2.8	125.2	18.6	220.2	0.6	182.7	-1.9	101.3	-0.7	2,166.7	3.5
Sep	1,693.6	3.4	128.9	9.5	342.6	9.4	127.4	-1.1	998.6	1.9	148.0	5.1	220.7	-2.9	176.7	0.4	96.1	-2.0	2,142.7	2.7
Oct	1,709.1	4.5	122.7	5.3	362.7	16.4	129.2	-2.0	1,001.4	2.2	140.9	0.3	225.1	2.7	175.0	1.4	93.1	-3.4	2,160.9	3.3
Nov	1,715.9	4.8	121.2	8.6	362.8	15.4	131.9	0.9	1,009.5	2.4	146.4	0.3	225.7	1.9	172.5	-1.8	90.5	-3.8	2,168.0	4.5
Dec	1,724.9	4.0	115.8	5.2	365.5	12.8	131.1	-1.7	1,018.5	2.2	153.2	5.7	218.2	-3.4	178.6	-0.8	93.9	-0.8	2,168.6	3.6
2006 Jan	1,701.1	5.1	122.0	8.7	350.5	9.7	128.0	-0.2	1,006.0	3.9	159.6	10.1	210.6	-4.4	171.1	1.3	94.6	4.3	2,122.5	3.1
Feb	1,699.2	4.4	125.4	14.1	355.6	12.7	129.4	-1.1	998.1	1.8	161.5	5.0	213.2	-2.6	168.8	3.6	90.6	-1.0	2,141.7	3.5
Mar	1,710.6	3.9	123.1	9.7	358.6	9.9	132.7	-3.4	1,003.5	2.7	158.9	6.7	224.3	3.7	159.2	-3.4	92.8	-0.4	2,164.9	4.1
Apr	1,719.5	4.3	119.9	10.8	360.5	13.7	129.5	-1.7	1,018.2	1.8	158.0	2.6	224.1	4.9	166.4	-7.1	91.4	-0.1	2,169.1	3.7
May																				
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Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Apr05	1,635.7		110.6		319.6		132.1		981.7		150.4		217.4		169.0		91.7		2,075.2	
Jan-Apr06	1,707.6		122.6		356.3		129.9		1,006.5		159.5		218.1		166.4		92.4		2,149.6	
% Change	4.4		10.8		11.5		-1.6		2.5		6.0		0.3		-1.5		0.7		3.6	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1996	36.3		38.9		37.7		32.8		36.5		35.1	
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-5.4	38.4	1.9	36.0	9.8	36.2	-0.8	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.3	4.1	38.8	1.0	34.2	-5.0	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.1	39.0	0.5	33.0	-3.5	36.7	2.5	34.1	-1.7
2000	36.9	1.9	37.7	0.5	37.3	-4.4	35.6	7.9	37.5	2.2	35.4	3.8
2001	36.3	-1.6	38.6	2.4	37.6	0.8	34.4	-3.4	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.3
2002	35.8	-1.4	36.3	-6.0	37.8	0.5	33.4	-2.9	36.0	-0.8	35.0	-0.8
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.4	0.3	37.9	0.3	34.4	3.0	35.6	-1.1	34.6	-1.1
2004	36.3	2.0	36.9	1.4	39.3	3.7	31.8	-7.6	36.0	1.1	36.2	4.6
2005	36.7	1.1	37.1	0.5	40.6	3.3	35.8	12.6	36.5	1.4	36.2	0.0
2005 Jan	35.5	0.9	32.0	5.6	38.4	-4.2	39.7	15.1	37.6	4.4	32.7	-3.8
Feb	37.8	1.1	33.3	-5.7	41.4	0.2	39.5	10.0	38.0	2.4	37.5	0.0
Mar	38.1	5.8	37.1	12.4	39.9	7.8	36.1	23.2	37.6	5.0	38.5	2.9
Apr	38.7	9.9	38.3	8.5	36.6	15.5	38.1	40.1	38.8	7.8	39.0	10.8
May	38.1	1.9	39.5	0.0	42.8	11.7	38.7	7.2	36.7	0.0	38.1	1.6
Jun	38.1	-1.3	40.4	-0.7	41.7	1.0	34.1	11.4	38.4	2.7	36.6	-7.3
Jul	36.8	0.0	40.2	12.0	43.5	7.1	35.0	8.7	35.4	-1.4	36.2	-3.7
Aug	35.9	-0.6	39.2	-0.8	41.1	-1.2	32.4	2.9	35.0	0.3	35.2	-1.9
Sep	38.3	-0.3	37.3	1.1	43.6	4.3	32.4	-15.2	37.6	-1.3	38.5	0.5
Oct	33.2	-0.6	35.3	-13.3	36.0	-3.7	34.3	37.8	32.0	-1.8	33.3	3.1
Nov	33.6	-1.5	33.3	-8.5	39.5	-0.5	31.9	10.0	32.5	-2.7	33.9	1.2
Dec	37.1	-0.5	35.9	0.3	42.2	8.5	35.8	7.8	38.2	0.0	35.3	-2.2
2006 Jan	37.1	4.5	31.6	-1.3	42.0	9.4	34.2	-13.9	37.6	0.0	36.6	11.9
Feb	36.5	-3.4	30.3	-9.0	37.8	-8.7	35.9	-9.1	36.9	-2.9	36.8	-1.9
Mar	36.6	-3.9	29.1	-21.6	39.4	-1.3	43.9	21.6	37.0	-1.6	36.6	-4.9
Apr	32.6	-15.8	32.4	-15.4	38.6	5.5	34.3	-10.0	32.5	-16.2	31.5	-19.2
May												
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Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Apr05	37.5		35.2		39.1		38.4		38.0		36.9	
Jan-Apr06	35.7		30.9		39.5		37.1		36.0		35.4	
% Change	-4.9		-12.3		1.0		-3.3		-5.3		-4.2	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.			
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1996	32.3		35.5		33.1		33.4		36.4		29.8		29.3		29.5		33.2		33.2	
1997	32.0	-0.9	36.2	2.0	33.2	0.3	33.8	1.2	35.3	-3.0	29.3	-1.7	29.3	0.0	29.4	-0.3	33.1	-0.3	33.0	-0.6
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.6	-0.6	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.8	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.8	-0.9	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.2	-1.1	31.8	-0.3	33.1	-1.5	35.1	1.7	27.9	0.0	29.5	3.1	29.8	-2.0	32.9	0.3	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.8	32.0	0.6	33.9	2.4	35.5	1.1	29.7	6.5	30.6	3.7	29.6	-0.7	34.2	4.0	33.2	2.2
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.2	-2.5	32.9	-2.9	33.8	-4.8	28.7	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	0.7	31.7	-7.3	32.2	-3.0
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	-0.3	33.3	1.2	34.0	0.6	29.0	1.0	29.1	0.7	28.0	-6.0	33.3	5.0	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.8	-0.6	35.8	2.9	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.2	0.6	28.1	-3.1	28.0	-3.8	29.0	3.6	32.2	-3.3	31.8	-0.6
2004	31.2	1.3	36.5	2.0	31.1	1.0	32.2	0.0	35.3	3.2	26.8	-4.6	29.1	3.9	29.3	1.0	32.3	0.3	32.3	1.6
2005	31.5	1.0	36.5	0.0	31.1	0.0	32.9	2.2	35.1	-0.6	28.4	6.0	29.9	2.7	29.4	0.3	32.5	0.6	32.6	0.9
2005 Jan	32.1	1.3	36.2	2.3	30.4	-1.9	33.6	2.4	35.4	-2.7	31.8	-2.5	32.4	7.3	30.0	6.8	34.2	2.1	32.8	1.2
Feb	32.8	1.5	37.8	5.3	31.1	0.0	33.9	0.9	37.0	-4.9	31.8	-0.9	30.2	-0.3	30.9	9.2	34.6	-2.0	33.8	1.2
Mar	32.7	7.6	37.4	1.9	31.4	0.0	33.9	4.0	37.6	2.2	31.6	116.4	31.0	7.6	28.3	0.0	34.0	2.7	33.8	7.3
Apr	32.8	9.0	36.3	2.0	32.5	6.9	34.3	11.7	37.4	12.7	33.1	20.4	30.3	9.4	28.5	2.5	35.4	24.6	34.0	9.0
May	32.7	0.9	37.4	-0.5	31.8	1.3	35.1	2.3	35.3	-4.6	32.4	6.9	31.9	2.2	29.0	0.7	32.6	-5.5	33.8	1.2
Jun	32.6	0.0	38.8	-1.8	31.9	-2.1	33.9	2.7	35.9	0.3	33.1	9.2	30.5	2.0	30.2	0.3	32.7	-2.1	33.8	-0.3
Jul	30.3	-1.3	37.4	-1.3	30.5	-3.8	32.1	-3.0	33.4	-3.2	15.6	2.6	29.4	5.8	30.9	2.0	32.0	1.3	31.8	-0.9
Aug	29.5	-0.3	34.9	-3.9	30.2	-2.9	31.8	3.9	32.2	-2.4	13.8	-13.8	27.4	1.9	30.5	4.8	29.1	-7.6	30.9	-0.3
Sep	32.3	-2.1	35.9	-5.0	31.7	-2.5	32.9	-1.5	35.3	-8.1	33.3	2.1	30.3	2.0	30.4	-0.3	32.0	-2.1	33.5	-1.8
Oct	28.4	-3.1	34.3	2.1	29.3	1.7	29.1	-2.7	32.3	4.5	17.6	-35.5	27.0	-0.7	28.3	-2.7	30.0	6.4	29.4	-2.6
Nov	29.6	0.0	33.6	-2.3	29.5	1.4	30.7	3.0	32.1	-0.3	28.0	9.8	28.3	0.7	27.2	-11.4	30.1	4.5	30.4	-0.7
Dec	32.8	0.0	38.1	4.4	32.7	3.5	33.6	3.4	36.8	-1.6	33.6	4.7	30.7	-1.6	28.8	-4.6	33.8	-6.9	33.7	0.0
2006 Jan	33.0	2.8	37.7	4.1	32.7	7.6	34.9	3.9	37.8	6.8	33.5	5.3	30.4	-6.2	28.4	-5.3	35.3	3.2	33.8	3.0
Feb	32.4	-1.2	37.6	-0.5	31.2	0.3	33.4	-1.5	36.9	-0.3	31.8	0.0	31.5	4.3	27.2	-12.0	35.1	1.4	33.2	-1.8
Mar	30.0	-8.3	36.0	-3.7	30.7	-2.2	32.7	-3.5	34.4	-8.5	18.6	-41.1	27.9	-10.0	28.0	-1.1	31.7	-6.8	31.4	-7.1
Apr	29.2	-11.0	34.3	-5.5	29.1	-10.5	29.6	-13.7	30.8	-17.6	28.5	-13.9	26.7	-11.9	27.5	-3.5	29.3	-17.2	29.9	-12.1
May																				
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Average:																				
Jan-Apr05	*32.6*		*36.9*		31.4		33.9		36.9		32.1		31.0		29.4		34.6		33.6	
Jan-Apr06	31.2		36.4		30.9		32.7		35.0		28.1		29.1		27.8		32.9		32.1	
% Change	-4.4		-1.4		-1.4		-3.8		-5.1		-12.4		-6.0		-5.6		-4.9		-4.5	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

***Source:* Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey**

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on the 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts. Questions or comments should be directed to Karen Calderbank at (250) 356-7870 or Karen.Calderbank@gov.bc.ca

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

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